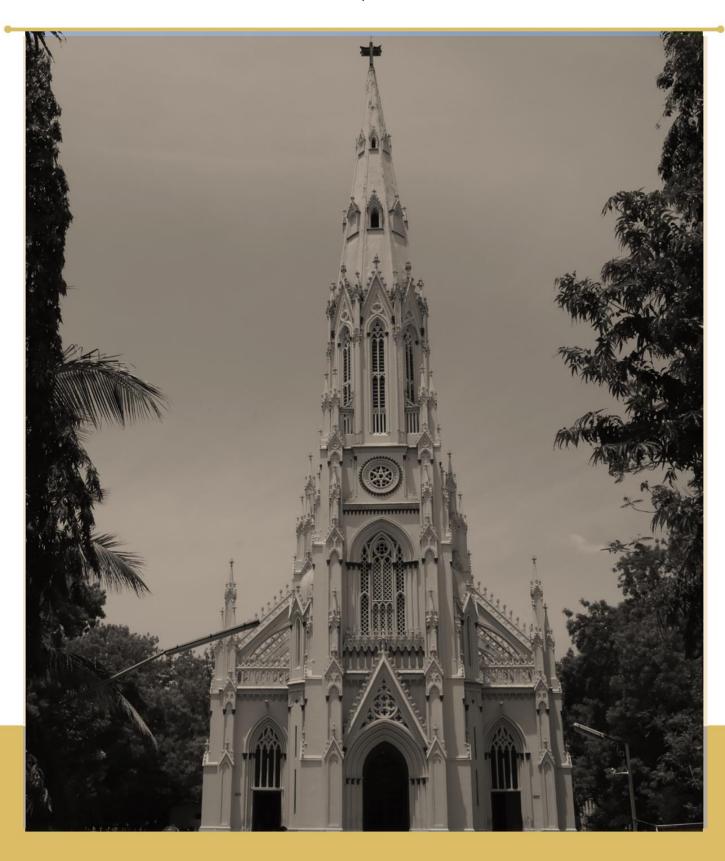
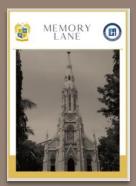


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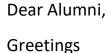


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From the desk of Director









Lockdown, on account of Corona virus, has become normal and it has hit everyone badly. When the doors of factories and other establishments were shut down the doors of kindness and generosity opened to provide relief to the poor and the neglected. While this was understandable during the first wave; the kindness of humanity, during the second wave was no less. Loyola Alumni sprang into action as soon as the second wave hit India. When ambulances were lining up before the Hospitals for beds and Oxygen supply the alumni lined up to extend support of various kinds to help the suffering humanity. This newsletter brings before us a sample of our work with all your support. The Jesuits thank each one of you for your wholehearted support.

Secondly, friends, the Society of Jesus celebrates the 500th anniversary of St.Ignatius' conversion this year. You all know that the Society of Jesus was founded by St.Ignarius and his companions and but for his conversion the Society of Jesus would not have come into being. This celebration invites the Jesuits as well as the extended family of Jesuits, to which you all belong, to deepen our relationship with God and humanity. It is assumed that this deepening will give us an opportunity to live our lives in an authentic manner. Please join us in thanking God for giving us the opportunity to know Jesuits and learn from their lives and mission. This anniversary celebration also invites us to undergo personal conversion in our own lives so that we may turn away from harming our fellow humanity and our universe. Let us work together so that the planet we inherit becomes a better place for all of us and the generations to come to live in harmony. May you all live in God's abiding presence and may the Almighty breath joy and peace into your lives.

Stay Blessed



Loyola and Covid Care



In our last New Letter, we had covered the activities of the Loyola Alumni in Chennai and other places during the first wave of Covid-19. This time around, during the second wave too Loyola rose to the needs and gave a helping hand. Loyola College Society (LCS) together with Loyola Alumni Association (LAA) generated funds of Rs 5+ million for various activities.

Covid Care Centre:

The entire ladies' hostel of Loyola College was converted into a Covid Care Centre. 325 beds were in place with all supporting facilities. Arrangements for stay of medical fraternity was also provided. Healthy and sumptuous meals were supplied by a reputed Caterer which was sponsored by the Alumni for these patients.

This Covid Care Centre was mainly for the people of Thousand Light Constituency, Chennai with a helpline. This was to help reduce the spread as well as assist in isolation of the affected. Dr Ezhilan Naganathan, MLA of the Thousand Lights Constituency took a lot of interest in setting this up. This was inaugurated by the State Health Minister Mr Ma Subramanian and was attended by the MP of this constituency Mr Dayanidhi Maran, Commissioner of Greater Chennai Corporation and Fr Rector along with Fr Principal.

Tamilnadu Health Minister addressed the gathering and appreciated the efforts taken by our College.







Rev Dr Thomas Amirtham, Principal and the Director LAA presented the dignitaries with mementos.



Oxygen Concentrators:

On 17th June 2021 Action India, Give India together with Loyola College donated 120 Oxygen Concentrators to the Government to be used for the needy. Tamilnadu Health Minister Mr Ma Subramanian and Mr Udhayanidhi Stalin, our Alumni, Fr Rector, Fr Principal and host of others participated.





Covid Care Kit:

Loyola with the support of the Alumni had put together 'Covid Care Kit' from Loyola College containing all necessary items (listed below) in one bag to help people monitor and prevent Covid spread in their locality, with necessary instructions printed in Tamil.

These were distributed to the focal persons identified by the by Loyola Outreach Department from the underprivileged areas of Chennai and Thiruvallur regions. These focal persons numbering around 700 were trained to serve as Covid Warriors in their respective localities. These Covid Warriors worked hand in hand with the Officials of Greater Chennai Corporation and other NGO's to prevent the spread of the virus. This had a tremendous impact on the

people. This prevention activities continue till date and Loyola continues to supply Kabasura Kudineer to these focal persons so that the immunity of the people can be boosted. This became a bottom up approach where the people help each other to protect themselves. The focal persons continue to send reports to Loyola College once in 2 weeks.



Finger Pulse Oximeter
Sanitizer 500ml
Face Shield
Three ply Face Mask - 30 nos
Zinc-Vitamin Tablets - 30 nos
Kabasura Kudineer - 50gms



Fr Rector in the presence of Fr Principal and others distributed the kits.

Provisions to the migrant workers:

One month's provision in bags had been distributed to nearly 2000 migrant workers covering three districts. This was an initiative of LCS with the support of the LAA. Many alumni had generously contributed to this cause. Jesuit Migrant Service (JMS) and the Loyola Relief and Rehabilitation Service

(LRRS) handled the distribution. Provisions were also distributed to 1000 widows who had lost their meagre income on account of Covid Lockdown.





Loyola Tele Care for Covid (LT4C):



Loyola Tele Care for COVID was set up and handled by Fr M S Jacob SJ and the college counsellors from 5 May 2021 to 12 July 2021. It was functioning every day from 9.00 am till 5.00 pm with four dedicated helplines and fifteen committed full time volunteers catering to 30 to 40 patients in the beginning and about 5 patients towards the end. It has catered to nearly 500 patients on the availability of beds, oxygen, food supplies and



Fr Jacob was seen in discussion and planning with the Tele Care volunteers.

provisions, more importantly provided emotional support to the distressed patients.

Webinars:

As part of Covid-19 awareness, LAA organised the following webinars:

Webinar on 'Coexisting with Covid-19' by Dr V Ramasubramnain, Sr Consultant, Dept of Infectious Disease, Apollo Hospitals on 1st of June 2021

He spoke about the disease, symptoms, precautions, treatments and caution against the 3rd wave in a simple manner. This was well received. Available on YouTube if anyone wants to watch it.





Webinar on 'MUCORMYCOSIS

(Black Fungus)' by Dr V Mohan, Diabetologist, Dr. Mohan's
Diabetes Specialities Centre on 7th of June 2021

He spoke about the symptoms, precautions and treatments of MUCORMYCOSIS (Black Fungus) and Diabetes. Also shared his view about current situation of Covid-19 disease. This video is also available on YouTube.



Loyola's contribution to the Government:

Rupees Three Million was donated to the Tamilnadu Government for the Corona Relief Work. Honourable Chief Minister, Mr M K Stalin personally received the cheque which was handed over by Rev Fr Jebamalai Raja SJ, Provincial of Chennai Province. He was flanked by Rev Fr Francis Xavier SJ, Rector, Rev Fr Thomas Amirtham SJ, Principal and Director-LAA, Rev Fr Joe Arun SJ, Director LIBA. Member of Parliament and our Alumnus, Mr Dhayandhi Maran was also present.



News from the Chapters:











Particulars / Events	Date of Event	Organized by
Career resilience during Covid 19 uncertainty and beyond	May 30, 2020	Loyola Alumni - Singapore Chapter
Loyola Alumni Chapters Support in Covid19 Pandemic	June 25, 2020	Loyola Alumni Association
Loyola Alumni Day 2020	Aug 2, 2020	Loyola Alumni Association
HUMAN SPACE EXPLORATION: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES	Aug 22, 2020	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Meet your Professor Dr. Indra Rajasingh (Mathematics Department) - *Refresh your memories* of your College days	Oct 3, 2020	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Changing trends and Leadership skills for the future' and 'Team Building and leadership for successful missions	Oct 3, 2020	Loyola Alumni - Singapore Chapter
Meet your Professors Series - Commerce Department	Oct 25, 2020	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Financial Planning for a Global Indian & Building Portfolios for a Volatile Indian Stock Market	Nov 7, 2020	Loyola Alumni - Singapore Chapter
Meet your Professors Series - Chemistry Department	Nov 28, 2020	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Christmas Day Celebration	Dec 21, 2020	Loyola Alumni Association
Meet your Professors Series - History Department	Jan 23, 2021	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Blessing of the Newly constructed Block in Loyola Hostel	Feb 4, 2021	Loyola Hostel & Loyola Alumni Association
First International Business Networking Group Meeting	Feb 12, 2021	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Meet your Professors Series - Physics Department	Mar 6, 2021	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Webinar on Lecture series on Human Space Exploration: Exploration in Our Solar System	Mar 17, 2021	Loyola College (Maths Dept.) & Loyola Alumni - USA Chapters
Fulfil your entrepreneurial dreams to start, build & grow businesses - Business Networking Group	Mar 19, 2021	Loyola Alumni - USA Chapter
Guest Lecture on "Financial Logistics"	Mar 26, 2021	Loyola College (Commerce Dept.) & Loyola Alumni - USA Chapters
Information Sharing Series on Canadian Tax Planning 101	Mar 28, 2021	Loyola Alumni - Canada Chapter











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EXPLORATION IN OUR SOLAR SYSTEM



DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES DIVISION NASA - JOHNSON SPACE CENTER, USA

17th MARCH 2021 - 6pm - 7pm IST D. ANTONY XAVIER MARIA JOY FELIX MASIULLAH MD.K MATHEW THARAKAN
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Mr. Carlton Young & Mr Alston Rozario Live on Zoom ..

25th October 2020 08:30pm - 09:30pm IST 08:00am - 09:00am PST 11:00am - 12:00pm EDT



OF. DR. D.P SANKARAN





அன்ன சத்திரம் ஆயிரம் வைத்தல், ஆலயம் பதினாயிரம் நாட்டல், பின்னருள்ள தருமங்கள் யாவும், பெயர் விளங்கி ஒளிர நிறுத்தல், அன்னயாவினும் புண்ணியம் கோடி ஆங்கோர் ஏழைக்கு எழத்தறிவித்தல்'

From Mahakavi Subramania Bharathi

Meaning: More than serving a thousand people with food, more than building ten thousand temples of faith, or charity to be remembered, what is better is to educate an underprivileged person.

This is the Jesuit's principle and its worth mentioning that two of our Alumni who do not need an introduction are involved in the education of the underprivileged. LAA is proud of their service!



Founders Message

R.S. Suriya, Founder, Agaram Foundation.

"I strongly believe that we can eliminate social evils and uplift the society only through education. Through Agaram, we reach out to deserving students from most backward parts of the country and provide them with opportunities to not only complete their education, but also transform into confident, competent and socially responsible individuals.

"Education has got the power to make a human civilized and face the challenges of life. Education is an answer to the economic imbalance of an individual, religion and caste divide that prevails in the society and could be an important factor that blocks the above being transferred to the next generation."

"I am confident that the beneficiaries of Agaram, whom we nurture today, will soon become the much needed catalysts to bring about the positive transformation in their families, communities and society at large."



What We Do

Maatram leads transformation in the lives of deserving underprivileged students by providing quality sponsored education, continuous skill development, world class



Loyola Alumni Day (LAD)

On the 1st of August 2021, lets Connect, Collaborate and Celebrate.

10th LAD and the second virtual meeting! Details of the post-meeting will be shared in the next Newsletter. However, the following distinguished Alumni had been honoured with the Loyola Alumni Award for the Year 2021:

Citizen of the year – Mr M Razzack (1964-67)

Business Leader of the year – Mr C Subba Reddy (1974-77)

Global Loyolite of the year – Mr Aswath Damodaran (1974-77)

Guiding Light of the year – Mr D Bala Nagendran IAS (2007-10)

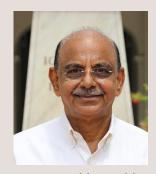
Covid Warrior – Mr S Muralidharan (1979-82)

Certificates of Appreciation are awarded to Mr Paul James, Mr Preejo T J and Mr Rozario for their service to the community in the fight against Covid-19

Congratulations to all the recipients of awards and certificates of appreciation!



Mr. M. Razzack



Mr. C. Subba Reddy





Mr. Aswath Damodaran Mr. D. Bala Nagendran. IAS



Mr. S. Muralidharan



Mr. Paul James



Mr. Preejo TJ



Mr. Andrew Rozario





In memoriam

One of our distinguished alumni Prof. Alston Rozario passed away on 12.07.2021.

He was a student at Loyola between 1971 and 73 when he did his M. Com.

On completion he had joined Loyola College as a faculty.

May his souls rest in peace