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# *In Touch*

Newsletter of the ALUMNAE Association



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## Secretary's Message

*"Make every effort to keep the unity of the spirit through the bond of Peace"- Ephesians 4:3*

Dear friends in Christ, I send you my warm wishes through this newsletter. This newsletter speaks with gratitude about the achievements of the past academic year. The cherishing of life's events, the times of sharing have bonded us together and the bond is getting stronger, giving out the "Old is Gold" vibes. Your Alma Mater has crossed 100 years' in shaping millions of Youth to face the stark realities of life and to be great achievers like you all over the world.



Every time we reunite; we experience inexplicable joy in the reunion. Your affection and loyalty towards your Alma Mater has moved me beyond words. Holy Cross College became a platform for many to rise up to high levels in society as Mayors, Collectors and Principals of prestigious institutions and as great women achievers who serve the society with love and dedication.

May you continue to stay in touch as the title of the newsletter of the Alumni Association will gently remind you to do. May God bless you with love and the peace of Christ!

I pray God's choicest blessings on each of you and greetings for the New Year.

God Bless You!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rev. Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rev. Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier

Secretary

## Principal's Message

*“For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Saviour,  
which is Christ the Lord” : Luke 2:11*

I am happy to accord a cordial welcome to all our dear alumnae who have taken time off their regular responsibilities to be here today.

The month of December is a harbinger of good news, of celebrations not only in the homes and families, but also in the happy re-union of Holy Crossian Alumnae.



The Yuletide jubilation or celebration can be likened to the two faces of the Roman God Janus – one face looking back at the past happiness and achievements and the other looking forward and ahead to explore new horizons and conquer new territories in the onward journey of life with the hope that the best is yet to be.

The joy of reminiscence as we go down memory lane and recall, relive and relish the Holy Crossian happy ambience and its positive impact, is indeed exciting and enthralling.

This alumnae meet is a special occasion for not only rejoicing and festivity but also for emotional recollection of the past, creative renewal of the present and critical rethinking for future prospects, to better our yesterdays, yestermoments and yester experiences.

As Alumnae of Holy Cross College, you must be really proud of your Alma Mater, for, you who have passed through the portals of Holy Cross College, excel in various careers, holding dynamic positions as women achievers who have been enlightened and empowered by this temple of learning.

You are the light bearers and light givers as Holy Crossians who hold the flag of Holy Cross high both nationally and internationally.

As brand ambassadors of Holy Cross College, with multi-faceted academic excellence and life-oriented values and employability potential

and skills acquired, you highlight the social outreach vision of Holy Cross College with the attitude of service to the poor and the nation and thus make a meaningful difference in the life of others.

You have been moulded as socially responsible individuals with competence, character and compassion, the 3 important 'C's that are rooted in the most essential 'C' **Christ** and his values. Being created in his image and likeness, may we spread the light of Christ and Christ like love to all people we meet in our daily life.

Let us, as motivated Holy Crossians shoulder the financial and moral responsibility to educate and empower atleast one or two marginalized and economically backward girls by supporting the HCC centennial project 'Vizhuthugal' 100 that strives to educate 100 first generation learners to benefit by higher education at Holy Cross College and to become women achievers. We can be the guiding star to show the way to the lesser fortunate students to arise and excel in life.

Christmas is the celebration of the self-emptying love of God. The birth of Christ, which transformed human history and the entire world, makes us a new creation. We need to become the manger where Christ can be born so that in our presence others can experience the presence of Christ, through our love and care, compassion, forgiveness, appreciation and acceptance.

As we are in the season of Yuletide, let us share the Christmas spirit of love, peace and the joy of giving and caring for the poor and the needy. Surely Goodness and Mercy shall follow you all the years of your life.

I thank you for your presence and participation that has added greater meaning to this alumnae get-together.

I wish you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year 2024, filled with God's Manifold Blessings.

God Bless You!

*Sr. Rajakumari.P.*

Rev. Sr. Dr. Isabella Rajakumari  
Principal

The Alumni Association of Holy Cross College aims at building a network of Holy Crossians to empower and strengthen relationships and create a sense of belonging and gratitude to the Alma Mater. The annual plan of the Alumni Association is prepared every year by the core group under the guidance of the Principal along with the staff representatives of all the departments. The activities planned are executed by the members during the year and a General Alumni Meet is arranged every year on the second Saturday of December. The alumni of Holy Cross College have been nurtured and shaped to face promising tomorrows. The Holy Crossian family is a circle of strength, which is founded on faith, joined by love and kept by God, together forever. The system of education in Holy Cross College is based on Whole Person Education which gives a complete character formation to the students. The rich experiences of their college days have made them focus more clearly on all their actions and deeds in their lives. They always come back to their Alma Mater with jubilant spirits.

### **Mission**

- Ø Build a society/network of Holy Crossians.
- Ø Contribute to / supplement the personal and career development of the present and passed out students.

### **Objectives**

- Ø To maintain a database of the alumni profile.
- Ø To assist in the placement of students along with HRD.
- Ø To organize get-togethers for the former students periodically.
- Ø To develop a sense of togetherness through the Newsletter “In Touch”.

### **Contribution to the College**

- Ø HRD department functions in association with the Alumni Association.

- Ø Life membership fees collected from all the outgoing students are the source of revenue to spend for the activities of the Alumni Association.
- Ø A scholarship of Rs. 2000 was given to the children of the supportive staff of the college from the Alumni Endowment Fund.
- Ø The Alumni contributed towards a fund for students to avail books on loan from their respective department libraries.

### **Core Committee Members**

1. Dr. (Sr.) Isabella Rajakumari, Principal.
2. Dr. Amala Infant Joice, J., Assistant Professor of Chemistry (Co-ordinator).
3. Dr. Sharmi, A., Assistant Professor of Tamil.
4. Dr. Cheryl Antonette Dumenil., Assistant Professor of English.
5. Dr. Ramya, B., Assistant Professor of Biochemistry.
6. Dr. Angaleswari, S., Assistant Professor of History.
7. Dr. Thilaka, S., Assistant Professor of Economics.

### **Report of the Centennial General Alumni Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

The Centennial General Alumni Meet of Holy Cross College was held on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2023, in Our College Grounds at 6pm. The Chief Guests of the day were Dr. Manimozhi Theodore, Alumna (1978-79 batch) Outstanding Scientist Retd, Former Chief Co-ordinator ISRO-DRDO Gaganyaan Program, Former Director DEBEL, Former Director CAIR DRDO Bangalore and Thiru K.S Kandasamy, I.A.S. Alumnus (1992-1993 batch) Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Adi Dravidar Housing and Development Corporation Ltd. (TAHDCO). The meeting was graced by Rev. Fr. Dr. George Thadathil, Principal, Salesian College, Silluguri, Sonada, West Bengal, Rev. Sr. Elizabeth Rose, (Former Principal), Rev. Sr. Dr. Rosy Antony (Former Provincial, Secretary and Principal), Former Professors and Alumni from various batches. The meeting began with a prayer service. Dr. Ruby Merlin,

Dean of Student Affairs, and Assistant Professor of English, Holy Cross College, welcomed the Dignitaries and the Alumni. Dr. Cheryl Antonette Dumenil., Assistant Professor of English presented the minutes of the Alumnae Association for the year 2022 - 2023. Newsletter of the Alumni Association “In Touch” Vol: 16, March 2023 was released by the Chief Guests Dr. Manimozhi Theodore and Thiru K.S Kandasamy, I.A.S. The first copy was received by the Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget and the Secretary Rev Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier. Rev. Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier, Secretary felicitated the gathering and thanked the Alumni for their ongoing support. Rev Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, applauded the alumni for being the ambassadors of all our alumni chapters. Thiru.K.S.Kandasamy, I.A.S in his address, thanked the institution for the opportunity and shared his experiences as a student during his time of study. The Chief Guest Dr.Manimozhi Theodore, highlighted the college’s founders’ noble goal of providing women with the highest quality of higher education. She reminisced her memories and acknowledged the teachers, who shaped her with their valuable guidance. Our overseas alumni from Dubai, Australia, Singapore, Europe, United States of America and Canada were connected through Google meet. Our alumnus shared their association with the college and expressed their gratitude and appreciations. Dr. Amala Infant Joice, J., Assistant Professor of Chemistry, Co-ordinator proposed the vote of thanks. Totally 358 alumni, participated in the Centennial Alumni Meet. The meeting came to an end with the alumni proudly singing the College Anthem followed by a sumptuous dinner. It was indeed a day to remember.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

### **DEPARTMENT OF AUDIOLOGY AND SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY**

The Department of Audiology & Speech Language Pathology conducted an Alumni meet, on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The alumni of 2014 - 2021 batches attended this meeting. The motive of this alumni meet was “**Save Environment**”. The planned initiative is to plant more than one thousand trees in the environment. Alumna J. N. Adaikala

Mary Shamila sponsored Rs.10,000 for our HCC National FlaSH Conference a 3-day program. All the alumni promised to conduct a survey in the nearby villages regarding the natural sources of food. Totally 27 alumni members attended the meet.

### **DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY**

The alumnae of 2018-2021 batch, met on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023. They were excited to meet their staff and cherished their college memories. They shared their experiences and were happy and proud to be recognised as Holy Crossians. Totally 9 students attended the meeting and had a joyful experience. As the evening drew to a close, the alumni bid each other farewell, promising to recreate this day again soon. They left feeling rejuvenated and refreshed.

Mrs. M. Mary Nirmala M.Sc. B.Ed an alumna was the resource person for a meeting and addressed the students on the topic Female Empowerment Movement of India (FEMI) an awareness program on organic sanitary napkins. It was held on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023 at Shanthi hall, at 11:30 am. A total of 85 students and 8 staff members participated and benefitted from it. It was an interactive session.

### **DEPARTMENT OF BIOTECHNOLOGY & BIO-INFORMATICS**

The alumnae meeting was held on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023, at 12 noon in the Department of Biotechnology, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy. The meeting started with a prayer followed by the welcome address. The alumnae from the batches 2007-2019, were reunited in the meeting and shared their beautiful moments and experiences. They planned to attend the alumnae reunion every year to meet their professors, friends, and colleagues.

### **DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

The Alumnae Reunion of the Department of Business Administration was held on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023 at 4 p.m. through Google Meet. 25 alumnae actively participated in the meeting. Ms Rexilin Silvia and Ms. Vinothini.B alumnae who are working in a software company



shared their work experience. The alumnae were happy to share their experience regarding work and higher studies. They appreciated the curriculum and syllabus of Holy Cross College. They expressed that the college has played an important role in their career and supported in every walk of their life and that Holy Cross College has been the root for the courage within them. They felt happy to be connected through the reunion meet. A video on the journey of our department over the years, created by our students was shared through the virtual screen, the alumnae felt very happy seeing the video.

### **DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY**

The Virtual Alumnae meet of the Department of Chemistry was held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 6.30 pm. The event was registered by 68 alumnae. The meeting started with the formal prayer by Dr. S.Margrat Sheela and Dr.V.Priya welcomed the alumnae. A video about the college and the department was played to regain the memories of the alumna. Nearly 30 alumnae had joined the meeting from various places like Germany, UK and Chennai. Dr. Keetheswari, Berlina, Rathna, Saranya, Ketshiya and Kavitha shared their memories and acknowledged that college and the department, enabled them to develop into self-reliant women by providing knowledge and skills. A feedback link was also posted in the group to avail their suggestions. Dr. A. Tony Elizabeth, proposed the vote of thanks and the virtual meet ended with on-line photo shoot.

### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (REGULAR)**

The PG & Research Department of Commerce organized virtual alumni meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2023. The reunion started with a prayer presented by our alumna Ms. Swetha. The alumnae shared their memories and the lessons they learned from college. They thanked the management for conducting a reunion meeting. A WhatsApp account was created to continuously join hands with the alumnae forever.

## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE (with Specialisation in Computer Applications)**

The Department of Commerce with Computer Applications had its virtual alumni meet on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The session started with a prayer service followed by formal welcome address proposed by Dr.G.Yashodha. The event aimed to reconnect alumni with their Alma Mater, to provide a platform for sharing experiences, and foster a sense of community among past students. Alumni were asked to share their career prospects and also their memories associated with this department. Most of them enthusiastically participated and shared their experiences, offering guidance on career paths, skill development, and adapting to the professional world. The interactive nature of the meeting facilitated meaningful connections between outgoing students and alumni, creating a network for future collaborations and mentorship. The overall feedback from alumni was positive. Around 50 alumnae participated in the meeting and also expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to connect and for the insightful discussions that took place during the meeting. The session ended with a the vote of thanks.

## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Voc. (BFSI)**

The alumnae meet of the Department of Commerce Vocational (BFSI) for the academic year 2023-2024 was held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The meeting started with a prayer by the alumna Ms. Kamila Catherine. 20 alumnae from 2020-2023 batch attended this year's alumnae meet. The participants enjoyed the day by sharing their nostalgic and happy encounters with the staff and others in the college during their period of study. The alumnae thanked our institution and the management for the encouragement and practical knowledge provided for their growth. They also decided to meet their juniors during the month of February and declared their willingness to contribute for the development of the Department and the College. The meeting concluded with a song praising the almighty and also a photo session.

## **DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS**

The PG Department of Computer Applications organized a reunion on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2023. The Reunion of alumnae in the Computer Science

Department was a resounding success, bringing together generations of computer science enthusiasts to celebrate their shared passion and achievements. The event provided a valuable platform for networking, learning, reminiscing, fostering a sense of community and unity among attendees. 7 alumnae attended the reunion. A campus tour guided by our current year students made our alumnae revisit their old classrooms, labs, and hangout spots, triggering waves of nostalgia. This reunion promises an exciting and enriching future. The event ended with dinner and cherished memories.

### **DEPARTMENT OF B.VOC. SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT**

The Department of B.Voc. Software Development conducted an alumna meet on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023. 4 alumnae attended the meeting and thanked the staff and the management for shaping them into the persons they are today.

### **DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS**

The PG and Research Department of Economics conducted an Alumnae meet on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2023. Ms. C. Ranjitha, Assistant Professor addressed the alumnae, she shared her experience and also threw light on the topic “Power of words”. She also advised the students to make use of the opportunities on campus and come up in life. 13 alumnae participated in this meet.

### **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH**

The Department of English conducted a Virtual Alumnae Meet for the academic year 2023- 2024 on 5<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The meeting was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Judy Gomez, Vice Principal and Associate Professor, Department of English. 45 members participated in the Alumnae meet. The meet began with a short prayer service. The Alumnae introduced themselves followed by a short reminiscence session where the members shared their nostalgic memories. The meet came to an end with the vote of thanks and everyone bid good bye.

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

Mr. A. Guna and Mr. A. Dhinesh from M.Sc., Environmental Science of 2021-2023 batch attended the alumni meet on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 and expressed their gratitude and love towards the institution. They are very happy to work with the Ferro Engineers company which is a leading Environmental effluent treatment plant at Raichur, Karnataka. They thanked the Head of the department for organizing the placement immediately after completion of their post-graduation. They also said that they are working in the biggest Environmental treatment plant and shared their work experience and knowledge with the current students of the department.

## **DEPARTMENT OF FASHION TECHNOLOGY AND COSTUME DESIGNING**

The Department of Fashion Technology and Costume Designing conducted a virtual alumna meet on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 4pm. 4 alumnae attended the meeting. The alumnae discussed about start-ups and shared various job opportunities. It was a fruitful alumnae meet.

## **DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS**

The Department of Mathematics conducted the virtual alumnae reunion meet on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023. 34 Alumnae including former Professors participated. Dr.M.Mary Mejrullo Merlin, Head and Assistant Professor welcomed the virtual gathering. The guest of honour of the day, Ms. M. Daisy, Business Transformation Manager, Accenture Philippines, BGC, a proud alumnae of the department shared her views on the values and academic benefits acquired from the department and the college. She expressed her willingness to be a part of the activities of the department and be associated with the department throughout as a proud alumna. The Former Head and proud alumna of the Department of Mathematics, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, Dr.Lilly Robert gave her valuable feedback and appreciated the Department.

## **DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS**

The PG & Research Department of Physics conducted the Reunion Meet on 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2023 at 2.00 pm. The alumnae shared their experiences and expressed their gratitude to the staff for their encouragement and kind support. They enjoyed recollecting the memories. 25 Undergraduate and Postgraduate students participated in the reunion meet.

## **DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION SCIENCE**

1990 – 1995 Batch - Alumnae Reunion was held on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023. Our Rehabians Alumnae Get-Together was organized with the aim of bringing together friends to reconnect, share experiences and strengthen bonds. It took place at Seakings Trichy, and welcomed 6 attendees. The event started with a warmth of greetings where friends greeted each other with joy and enthusiasm. Laughter and shared stories set the tone for the day. An interactive segment allowed attendees to reminisce about past adventures, with old photos and videos evoking nostalgia and laughter.

The Alumnae Meet, Rehabians SANTHIPOMMA 2023 of 2021-2023 Batch M.R.Sc. Students was held in virtual mode on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2023, it was a highly successful and productive event. It brought together former students and current faculty to foster connection, share experiences, and explore opportunities for collaboration. The event commenced with a warm welcome address by the Head of the Department, emphasizing the importance of alumni engagement and their contribution to the field of Rehabilitation Science. 10 alumnae members participated and they discussed about their our cherishing memories during their our college days, focused on career development, job opportunities, and professional growth in future events. The Alumnae Meet served as a platform for celebrating the achievements of alumni and inspiring current students to excel in the field of Rehabilitation Science.

## **DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK**

The PG Department of Social Work conducted the online Alumni Meet on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023. Around 50 Alumni of our department joined in the online alumni meet which was conducted through Google Meet. They enjoyed by recollecting the memories. The alumni thanked the college management for the inspirations and practical lessons provided for their growth.

## **DEPARTMENT OF TAMIL**

An alumnae reunion was held virtually on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2023 and 35 alumnae participated in the meeting. They were happy to meet their batchmates and Professors and share their memories. The alumnae wished to come for the Annual General Meeting which is to be held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2023.

## **DEPARTMENT OF VISUAL COMMUNICATION**

The Department of Visual Communication conducted Alumnae meet on 19<sup>th</sup> August 2023. The alumni meet was the theme “Home Return.” This event brought together enthusiastic alumni who fondly reminisced about their college days and the impact the institution had on their lives. The theme symbolized the warm and nostalgic feeling of returning to their Alma Mater. It aimed to evoke memories of the time they spent in college. A total of 6 alumni, from various batches attended the event. They represented a diverse range of careers and experiences, which made the gathering more enriching. The Alumni Meet offered a platform for alumni to reconnect and establish new connections. It encouraged collaboration and exchange of ideas. This event served as a reminder of the strong sense of community that continues to thrive among the alumni and within the Visual Communication Department.

## **DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY**

On 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023, 10 of our alumnae belonging to the batch 1992 – 1995 were reunited at Courtyard by Marriott, Trichy. They shared their nostalgic moments of their college life and also planned to join the General Alumnae Meet to be held in the month of December, 2023.

## AWARDS RECEIVED BY THE COLLEGE

### College Awards / Special Achievements

**Holy Cross Innovation & Incubation Council (HCIICT) -** Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli, was awarded 4 Star rating for the academic year 2021 – 2022 by the Ministry of Education’s Innovation Cell, New Delhi, on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2022. Out of 1823 institutions (Universities & Colleges) in the Technical and Non-Technical categories that participated at the All India level and among 407 of the southern region organizations, our college was rated as one of the toppers in the star rating.

The 4 star rating is the highest awarded for the distinct excellent performance in innovation and entrepreneurship activities of Holy Cross Innovation & Incubation Council (HCIICT) during the academic year 2021 – 2022.

### Rotaract Award

The RAC of Holy Cross was awarded the District Rotaract Representative’s Citation Certificate by Rotaract District Organisation (2021-2022), on 21<sup>st</sup> August 2022 at “SooraraiPotru” event at Jairams Arts and Science College, Karur.

### NSS

Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli received the **Best NSS Unit Award** for the year **2020-2021** from Bharathidasan University, on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

### HCIICT

Our College, Holy Cross College(Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli has been added as Governing Member in the IIC Consortium of IIC Institutions by the Ministry of Education’s Innovation Cell in April 2023. We are one among the 20 Consortium Governing Members. The number of participating Members (Institutions) are 425.

## **Staff Awards/Achievements**

Dr.A.Senthamilselvi, Head & Asst. Prof., Department of Library and Information Science, received Outstanding Services Award from Madras Library Association on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2022. She also received National Special Appreciation and Meritorious Service Award for women librarian from SALIS at KSR College, Thiruchengode on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Ms. T. Shalini Gnanam, Asst. Prof. Zoology, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, has been awarded a cash prize in the All India essay competition on "What students and teachers say about new education policy?" organized by Nandini Voice for the Deprived, a not for profit organization based in Chennai in July / August, 2022. .

Dr. Francisca Kalavathi, Asst. Prof. & Head of the PG Department of Environmental science was awarded the "Best Women Scientist Award" for her academic excellence and extraordinary research contribution in the field of Environmental Science by Nature Science Foundation, Coimbatore, on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

The NSS Program Officer of Holy Cross College, Dr. M.L. Eileen Brisha, Assistant Professor of English, received the Best NSS Program Officer Award for the year 2021-2022 from Bharathidasan University, on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

21 Asst. Profs of Tamil received "TamizhKaviAmuthu Award" from Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and Pearl Arakkattalai in August 2022. They are Dr.Jasintha Rani A, Dr. Prema M, Dr. Thevatha A, Dr. Latha D, Dr. Vijaya Lakshmi G, Dr. Sujatha K, Dr. Sharmi, Dr. Dolly Arokia Mary K, Dr. Babithra R, Dr. Elizabeth Rani G, Dr. Premalatha V, Dr. Arul Sagaya Anitta A, Dr. Arumbu M, Dr. Anulakshmi S, Dr. Anitha Mary D, Dr. Anu Dayana A, Dr. Imaculate B, Dr. Kowsalya S, Dr. Punitha S, Dr. Nancy S & Dr. Neela Devi.

Dr.Jasintha Rani A, Dr. Prema M and Dr. Neela Devi, Assistant Professors of Tamil received two awards "Peraasiriyar OliSudar Award" and "Ilam Kavingar Award" from AnnaiArakkattlai in October & December 2022.



Dr. Elizabeth Rani G, Assistant Professor of Tamil received “Vajra Kodi Mani Award” from Pasumaivaasal Foundation, Sree Success Academy & Foundation, Kamban Kazhagam in December 2022.

Dr. Imaculate B, Assistant Professor of Tamil received two awards “Perunthalaivarin Sirpisaathanai Selvam” and “KodiKaathaKumaran” from Thieveega Tamizh Arakkattalai, Ulaga Semmozhi Payilarangamandram Maya Iragu panthu kalaikkoodam Feiniks Ulagasaathanai Puththagam in July & August 2022.

She also received “KalviMaamani Award” & “Mei Gnana Olichemmal Award” from Pasumaivaasal Foundation, Kamarajar Ilaingarvalarchi Peravai, Sree Success Academy & Foundation in July & October 2022.

Dr. Kowsalya S, Assistant Professor of Tamil received “KalviMamani Award” from Pasumaivaasal Foundation, Sree Success Academy & Foundation in July 2022. “Kavi Rathna Award-2022”, and “Sirantha Perasiriyar Award-2022” from Tamizh Amuthu Arakkattalai, in August 2022.

Dr. Kowsalya S, Dr. Punitha S and Dr. Neela Devi Assistant Professors of Tamil received “Perasiriyamanimagudam Award” from Tamizh Amuthu Arakkattalai in August 2022.

Dr. Kowsalya S and Dr. Neela Devi, Assistant Professors of Tamil received “KaviRathna Award-2022” in June and “Seermannu Peraasiriyar Award-2022” in September from TamizhAmuthu Arakkattalai.

Dr. Neela Devi, Assistant Professor of Tamil received “TamizhKavichemmal Award” from Theiveega Tamil Sangam & Tamil Palkalaikazhagam Ilakkiya Thurai in July 2022, “KalaiSemmam Award” from Ilanthamizhar Peravai in September 2022 and “Karunai Ullam Award” & “Peraasiriyar Thoon” from Annai Arakkattalai in November & December 2022.

Dr.B.Sathyabama, Asst. Prof. of Social Work received 4 awards,

1. Global youth Icon Award 2022 for exemplary contribution towards youth empowerment felicitated on the occasion of the International Symposia on “Reimaging Youth Skills for the 21<sup>st</sup>

Century, held on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2022 organized by International Council for Education, Research and Training, New Delhi

2. Research Excellence Award 2022 for research achievements by Institute of Researches, Kerala, on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2022.
3. KalviSengolViruthu on Teachers day by the Madhimugam TV channel and Tamil KalaiIlakkiyakazhagam, held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2022
4. Best Teachers Award by Se.Ve.Record Holders Forum, Puducherry on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2022.

Dr. Pandilakshmi, Asst. Prof. of Zoology, received Reviewer Excellence Award from the journal, Agricultural Science Digest, ARCC Journal, on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2022.

Dr. A. Avila Jerley, Asst. Prof. of Zoology, received Excellence reviewer award from the Journal, Asian Journal of Advances in Research on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Dr. L. Catherine, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Fellow Award from Academy of Sciences on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and Bharat Ratna Mother Teresa Gold Medal Award for Individual Achievement and National Development from Global Economic Progress and Research Association, New Delhi on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. V. Priya, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Research Excellence Award from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. J. Rosaline Vimala, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Young Researcher Award-(Research Education Solution) on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023 and Bharat Ratna Mother Teresa Gold Medal Award for Individual Achievement and National Development from Global Economic Progress and Research Association, New Delhi on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. J. Felicita Florence, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Best Teacher Award from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. J. Morris Princey, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Academic Excellence Award 2022 from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Dr. A. Agila, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Bharat Ratna Mother Teresa Gold Medal Award for Individual Achievement and National Development from Global Economic Progress and Research Association, New Delhi on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. M. Stella Bharathy, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the C V Raman Prize 2022, (Institute Of Researchers), Kerala on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and Bharat Ratna Mother Teresa Gold Medal Award For Individual Achievement And National Development from Global Economic Progress and Research Association, New Delhi on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. P. Pratheema, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Bharat Ratna Mother Teresa Gold Medal Award for Individual Achievement and National Development from Global Economic Progress and Research Association, New Delhi, on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Dr. S. Philomina Mary, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Young Researcher Award 2022 from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Dr. R. Kanmani, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Research Excellence Award from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

Dr. S. Margaret Sheela, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Young Researcher Award 2022 from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

Dr. Amala Infant Joice, Asst. Prof. of Chemistry received the Academic Excellence Award 2022 from INSC Institute of Scholars, Karnataka on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023.

Ms. S. Edel Josephine Rajakumari & Ms. A. Emima, Asst. Profs., Dept. of Computer Applications and Ms. A. Maria Eliza & Ms. V. Kulandai Priya, Asst. Profs. of Computer Science received

‘TamilkaviAmuthu Award’ from Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and Pearl Arakkattalai in August 2022.

Dr. J. Theresa Rosetti, Asst. Prof. of History received ‘Eminent Professor Award’ from Bharathi Creative Channel, Malaysia & Kaviyarasar Kalai Tamil sangam, Nammakkal on 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022.

Dr.R.Pricila, Asst. Prof. of History received Best Faculty Award from GMARF International Conference –cum-Awards 2022, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, India on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022.

Dr. S. I. Rosy Lidia, Asst. Prof. of English received Outstanding Teacher Award from Research India Foundation on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

Dr. W. Ritha, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics received EET CRS 8<sup>th</sup> South Asian Education Awards 2023 “Award for Excellence in Research” on 29<sup>th</sup> January 2023.

Dr. M. Mary Jansirani, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics received National Faculty Award 2022-2023 & “Best Senior Faculty Award” from Novel Research Academy on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Ms. A. Alphonse Anitha, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics received National Faculty Award 2022-2023 & “Best Woman Faculty Award” from Novel Research Academy on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022.

Dr. K. Sowmya, Asst. Prof. of Biochemistry received Young scientist award from Nature Science Foundation, Coimbatore for the academic Year 2022-2023.

Dr. M. Revathi & Dr. R. Manonmani, Asst. Profs. of Botany, received “Young researcher of the Year Award” from Avishkar Achievers Award 2022, Avishkar Foundation, Solapur on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

Dr. Yasodha Jagadeeswari, Asst. Prof. of Economics received two awards:

1. Life Time Achievement Award by the International Association of Lions Clubs at Silver Jubilee Year Celebration (1998-2022) of Lions Club of Neyveli Power City on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

2. Global Academic Leader Award for Excellence in Research and Higher Education in the Award Ceremony in International conference on “Innovations in Technology, Agriculture, Management and Social Sciences” organized by Research education solutions in association with Institute of Management Bhubaneswar, Bhubaneswar, India, 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

### **Dr. Sr. Dona Award for Best Researcher**

Dr. F. Merlin Kokila, Asst. Prof. of Economics received Sr. Dona Award for Best Researcher and Dr. B. Yasodha Jagadheeswari, Asst. Prof. of Economics, received the special recognition for Research (for Arts).

Dr. Juliet Catherine Angel, Asst. Prof. of Computer Science received Sr. Dona Award for Best Researcher and Dr. G. Arockia Sahaya Sheela, Asst. Prof. of Computer Science received the special recognition for Research (for Science).

Two Ph.D. Research Scholars, Ms. P. Yasodhai and Ms. R. Sarumathi (Department of Mathematics) guided by Dr. W. Ritha, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics, received Sr. Dona Award and the special recognition award for Research (for Science).

One Ph.D. Research Scholar, Ms. G. Saraswathi (Department of English) guided by Dr. K. Suganthi, Asst. Prof. of English, received Sr. Dona Award.

### **Students Awards / Achievements**

“Tinkererz”, Students’ team from the PG Department of Computer Science, comprising of 6 students, Ms. R. Janani, Ms. B. Annu Supraja, Ms. V. Brindha, Ms. T. Hema Priya, Ms. C. Priyadarshini, Ms. V. Minarva Vincy from III B.Sc. Computer Science (2020 – 2023), participated in the Smart India Hackathon 2022 (SIH 2022) – Software Edition, organized by Ministry of Education (MoE) and bagged the 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize (1<sup>st</sup> Runner up) under the domain “Clean and Green Technology” in the Student Innovation Category, held at Maharastra Institute of Technology, Aurangabad, on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022, and won a

**Cash Award of Rs. 75,000/-** on behalf of converting their Proof of Concept (PoC) into an Integrated Software Model.

A National Level Intercollegiate Technical Symposium, IT Connect 2K22, was organized by the Departments of Computer Applications and Computer Science & Information Technology, Jamal Mohamed College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022. Several competitions were conducted such as Talk Host, Net Sketch, Fusion, Bug Busterz, etc. Students from 25 colleges with 185 participants attended the National Level Intercollegiate Symposium. The overall trophy was won by the PG Department of Computer Applications, Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli and the Runners Up was won by the PG Department of Computer Science, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli.

Our cultural team participated in a state-level dance fiesta for college students, Rock 'N' Roll, which was organized by **Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala, Namakkal, on 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2022.** Our college **dance team**, which consists of 15 students, won the **3<sup>rd</sup> prize** with a **cash award of Rs.2500.**

Our cultural team participated in mime and skit competitions organized by the **Department of Performing Arts, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, on 21<sup>st</sup> December 2022.** Our college theatre events team of 12 students competed in both competitions and won fourth place in the skit competition and fifth place in the mime competition.

Our college cultural folk team consisting of eight students participated in the folk-dance competition organised by **St. Theresal Church, Crawford,** which was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2023. Our students won the overall **III prize** and with a cash award of **Rs. 5000** along with certificates and trophies. The students were lauded by the audience for their skilled performance.

## **Sports**

Ms. Yuvaharini II-BBA “B” Secured First Place in single surul event State level silambam competition held at Thiruvarur on 28<sup>th</sup>

December 2022. She also Secured Gold Medal in single surul event State level silambam competition at Thanjavur, on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2023.

## NCC

On 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022 Cadet Bellarmin, Cadet Deepa.P, Cadet. Deepa.T and Cadet Gayathri.V participated in the Peacekeeper Competition conducted by Annai College of Arts and Science, Kumbakonam and won a cash Prize of Rs.3000.

Two NCC cadets participated in TSC IUC at Kumbakonam from 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2022 to June 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 in which Cadet Lidiya Mary John won **Gold Medal** and Cadet Deepa.T won **Silver Medal** in JDFS.

An essay for the All-India essay competition on "What students and teachers say about new education policy" was organized by Nandini Voice for the Deprived, a not-for-profit organization based in Chennai in July / August,2022. Ms. Logapriya K.M., Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli, has been awarded a prize in the essay competition.

A team of two members from PG and Research Department of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics has participated in "Innovathon 2023", a National Level Hackathon organised by St. Joseph College (Autonomous), Trichy. The team has won third place with a cash prize of Rs. 3,000/- among 35 teams from various Colleges. Team members: C. Preethi & B. Ramya. Product: napkin disposal bin (Won 3<sup>rd</sup> prize of Rs-3000/).

The NSS Volunteer of Holy Cross College, **Ms. P. Kavibharathi** of II BA English 'A' (presently out gone student) received **The Best NSS Volunteer Award** for the year **2019-2020** from Bharathidasan University on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

The NSS Volunteer of Holy Cross College, **Ms. R. Nandhini** of III B.Sc Chemistry 'B' received **The Best NSS Volunteer Award** for the year **2021-2022** from Bharathidasan University in March 2023.

Merlin Rishika S, student of III B.A. Tamil received "Tamizh Kavi Amuthu Award" and 14 students of M.A. Tamil received "Kavi Sudar Award" from Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and Pearl Arakkattalai, in August 2022.

Christina Neharitha Suresh of II M.Sc. Zoology received Best Paper Award at the International Conference on Emerging Trends in Biotechnology and Bioeconomy, Dept. of Biotechnology, MS University, Tirunelveli.

Manju Sri R of I B.A. English received Arivoli Award for Tamil Speech from Solla Mandalam Foundation, in November 2022.

Subhashini C of III B.A. English C received Best Tamil Speaker Award from Tamil Department, Central Library, in November 2022

K. Abinaya of II M.A. English, A. Theva Kiruba of II M.A. English received Fabulous Female Award 2023 (Towards International Women's Day), Best Author Award – 2023, Rockfort Times Newspaper on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Based on World Water Day March 2022 a talk on the theme 'without water no world' was held on the following topics Water usage, Water is essential, Water Pollution, Effects of polluted water and water bodies, Conservation of drinking water, jointly organized by IN MEDIA & OY TV at Kalai Cauvery College of Fine Arts on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023. Ms. J. Subhashini of III B.A English secured the 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize with a cash award of Rs.3000/-.

## **HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR**

### **Programmes conducted as preparation for Centennial Celebration:**

Prayer for the triumphant thanksgiving and celebration of Holy Cross College centenary year was said every day through intercom throughout the academic year

Father God! With gratitude, we contemplate your blessings and graces for the past 99 years, to grow from strength to strength. May your name be exalted in all that we do.

Lord Jesus, We, the Holy Cross College family, commend into your mighty hands the endeavours of the present and future to glorify you. We pray in surrender that we may serve with compassion, generosity and joy, to make all our efforts fruitful.



Holy Spirit, renew in us, the gifts of wisdom, counsel, piety and the fear of the Lord.

Heavenly Father, Fill our minds with your light; Fill our hearts with your love, so that we bear true witness to the redemptive power of the Cross, in all we say and do and are, In blessed Trinity's name we pray.  
-Amen!

### **100-Hour Poetry Series titled Pathayum Payanamum**

The department of Tamil Studies and Pearl Foundation, organized a centenary world record special international online 100-hour poetry series entitled "Pathayum Payanamum" from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

### **Inaugural of Grow Project**

The inaugural of GROW (Get Ready for Opportunity to Work), an entrepreneurial skill development centre project of Holy Cross College was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023. Need based skill courses such as Beauty Care, Aari Embroidery, Tailoring, Computer Skill and Millet Cooking were conducted for 3 hours per day for 10 days at Holy Cross College of Education and Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy.

### **Entrepreneurial Training**

As part of the skill training series, the second programme on entrepreneurial training was organized for the women in Thaluthalapati. 22 women participated in the hands-on skill training on tailoring for 12 days from 6<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

### **Maatram**

HCC identified Thiruvasi village for the smart village project. In phase 1 HCC did a need gap study in Thiruvasi and Thudaiyur, and inaugurated Bhoomi poojas of one Eco San Toilet and one Toilet linked Biogas plant and One Biogas plant linked toilet with treatment.

On 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023, College initiated the project of converting 24 single leach pits to double leach pits. By 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023, 12 single leach pits have been converted to double leach pits.

The installation of Solar lights as requested by the villagers in the streets of the village has been initiated. The college is also in the process of establishing and stocking the panchayat library with various books for different age groups. A plan to construct a shed in balwadi and outside the community hall has been approved for construction. The process of painting the balwadi and converting the classrooms into smart class rooms has also been initiated. Establishing rural social forest in Thiruvasi is underway. Dangerous places in the village were identified for installing CCTV. The process will be completed by May 2023. Sports equipments have been handed over to Thodaiyur Middle School.

### **Amazing Grace - Merci Beaucoup**

A journey of 100 years was celebrated by and for sisters who served in Holy Cross on 18<sup>th</sup> March. It was a red lettered day when at 5 p.m., the Happiness Square at Holy Cross College, was filled with jubilation by the sisters who had served with zeal in Holy Cross College and with commitment to empower students through the light of learning. As they relived the memories of the yester years that filled them with joy in the present time of celebrations of 100 years of service, they praised and thanked God for making them instruments of his love and service. The happy occasion was attended by Dr. Sr. Anne Xavier, Secretary & Dr. Sr. A. Christina Bridget, Principal of Holy Cross College. 43 Reverend Sisters had a happy Holy Cross College Ensemble exclusively for them. They were honoured with mementoes as a token of appreciation for their contribution to the success story of Holy Cross College.

The programme that started with praise and welcome address was followed by cultural and games for the sisters. Some of the sisters shared their reminiscences about memorable events of our college. This was followed by a sumptuous dinner.

**Rosary Prayer:** As a sign of thanksgiving to our Lord Jesus for all the marvellous graces that our beloved college received during these past 100 years, the catholic staff, administrative staff and students recited 100 decades of the Holy Rosary on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023.

**Vizhuthugal:** A defining moment in the celebration of our College's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be identifying 100 remarkable young first generation learners to receive centennial scholarship. The scholarship will empower these young women to reach their full potential in their professional lives while making meaningful contributions to their communities. The process of identifying the students representing various majors will commence in the academic year 2023 – 2024.

### **Academic visit to St. Joseph's College for Women, Irinjalakudda, Kerala**

A Team of four staff members headed by Rev Sr. Dr. A. Christina Bridget, Principal visited St. Joseph's College for Women, Irinjalakudda, Kerala, affiliated to University of Calicut, Kerala to evaluate the academic and other activities with a special focus on knowing the best practices of the college. This Autonomous College for women is a Christian minority institution affiliated to the University of Calicut and is managed by St. Joseph's Educational society of the Congregation of the Holy Family. It is an esteemed educational institution spread across a 19-acre campus established in 1964.

It was a two-day visit held on 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022. A warm welcome was given by Rev. Sr. Principal and her team of faculty members on reaching the college. After regular hospitality, the team was taken to various departments to get to know their distinctive features and activities. The Botany department highlighted their development of ecofriendly flower pots made of Eichornia waste, miniature gardens, ornamental pots which were given as gifts to guests and others.

This was followed by visiting the IQAC of the college. The team from HCC presented the highlights of their college followed how by presentation of the Institutional distinctiveness and Best practices of SJC. This was followed by active interaction to clarify various queries and doubts. After lunch, the team visited the departments of biotechnology, zoology, chemistry. The labs and museums were visited. A meeting was arranged with the students to understand their views. Sr. Principal of HCC addressed the students where she gave inputs to be more interactive and expressive during NAAC peer team visit.

On the next day, the Holy Cross College team visited the remaining departments, Library, Scriptpark, botanical garden etc. The waste management system as well as the energy conservation measures using solar panels (E-Bikes fuel station), various best practices like CISCOM etc, preservation of Manuscripts etc were also visited.

### **Happiness Square**

On 19<sup>th</sup> January 2023, the happiness square was inaugurated by Dr. Sr. A. Christina Bridget, Principal. The programme commenced with a prayer by the Department of Rehabilitation Science, thanking God for the gift of happiness given to us. This was followed by the inauguration of the wall of happiness.

Sr. Principal, in her speech, mentioned that happiness lies in our own hands, by narrating an anecdote about a student query to the teacher about the do or die situation of the little bird in his hand. She stated that happiness has to be radiated to others always and in all ways and not only on special occasions. She wanted the students to experience happiness every moment of their life irrespective of ups and downs they face. This was followed by a stand-up comedy and mime about the different kinds of laughter and smiles. It was a time of good cheer and happiness experiences by all who were present for the inauguration.

The Happiness Club of Holy Cross College was newly instituted in the year 2023 as an extension activity for student community under the guidance of Rev.Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy.

The vision of the club is to show the beauty of life through happiness which depends on the inner happiness and the happiness outside oneself. The motto of the club is “Be happy and make others happy “. The responsibility of the club is to spread joy and bliss throughout our college by dance, music, comedy and skit. The activities carried out by the club students showed their love towards the teachers through greeting cards on postal day celebrated on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

Free tokens were stuck on the happiness wall and gifted to the needy and the deserving as the HCC tea party sponsored by the club

founder Rev.Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College, Trichy, from 9<sup>th</sup> February to 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023. The students who were inspired by this idea shared their happiness to celebrate their friend's birthday party. Club members performed a flash Mob dance on 14<sup>th</sup> February and 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

On 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 favors were given to all the teaching and non-teaching fraternity to celebrate International Women's Day. Slogans that appreciated women were written and pasted on the wall of happiness by the students from various departments. As a token of encouragement, refreshments were given to the march past students on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2023. Happiness club arranged juice party for housekeeping members on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023.

### **Inauguration of Holy Cross Innovation and Incubation Council Centre**

Holy Cross College, Tiruchirapalli, organized a grand inaugural of Holy Cross Innovation and Incubation Council Centre on 4<sup>th</sup> February 2023 in Mother Sophy's Block. Dr. Juliet Catherine Angel, HCIICT Convenor and Assistant Professor and Head of the PG Department of Computer Applications, welcomed the gathering.

On 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022, Holy Cross College inaugurated its centennial celebrations, where six new projects were introduced, of which STEP-UP (Start, Transform, Evolve, Patent-Unleash your Potential) is one important platform to encourage young girl students to develop their entrepreneurial skills and guide them to create ground-breaking ideas. The focus of the project is to promote 100 start-ups by students and faculties. HCIICT provided artistic ambience, wonderful infrastructure, and necessary facilities to students, which helped them to come up with remarkable ideas and prototypes. Fifty-four students and twelve faculty members invested their time together and produced various start up models that included patenting and prototypes, which were presented before the subject experts.

The programme was presided over by Rev. Sr. Dr. Anne Xavier, Secretary, Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous). The chief guest of the programme Thiru Dr. Inigo S.

Irudayaraj, Member of Legislative Assembly of Tamil Nadu, Tiruchirapalli – East, congratulated the college on the innovative endeavours by rendering various opportunities for the students of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) to exhibit their new inventions and products. The Special Invitees Mr. P. Ashok Ramanathan, Chair-Young Indians, Trichy Chapter, Proprietor Anand Engineering Product Pvt. Ltd. Dr. N. Prasanna Associate Professor and Head i/c, Department of Economics, Director i/c, BDU Entrepreneurship, Innovation & Career Hub, Bharathidasan University, Trichy, and S.P. Jesuraja Consultant- Academia Naan Mudhalvan Tamilnadu Skill Development Corporation, applauded the college for taking initiatives and aiding students to become successful scientists and entrepreneurs. Dr. Morris Princey J, Vice Principal, Assistant Professor of Chemistry proposed the vote of thanks. The inaugural programme of HCIICT came to an end with the National Anthem.

Holy Cross College, in celebration of its Centennial Year planned and executed various activities, of which the 100 hours' Comprehensive Medical Health Service (CMHS) is an initiative to render 8 different health care services namely General health Camp, Eye camp, Dental camp and OB/OG camp, Disability Screening, Mental health screening, Blood Group Typing and Anaemia screening camp covering 5 panchayats: Thiruvasi, Thodaiyur, Thaluthalapatti, No.94 Karaiyamanickam, and C. Ayyampalayam and its hamlets).

The CMHS was formally inaugurated in Thiruvasi Panchayat on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Mrs. M. Banu Murugesan, Panchayat President, Thiruvasi, Dr.R.Mathivanan, Block Medical Officer, Sirugambur PHC, Manachanallur Block, and Dr. Suburaman, Director SCOPE, Padmashree awardee graced the occasion and Rev Dr. Sr. Anne Xavier, Secretary, Holy Cross College and Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal of Holy Cross College, welcomed and felicitated the gathering. The overall program was planned and coordinated by Dr.Anitha, Asst. Prof., Social work Dept., Mr.Karthi, Mr.Kathiravan and Mr.Vimal Raj, RESCAPES Coordinators, Holy Cross College. All the above services were powered by Joseph's Eye Hospital. Apollo Hospital, Thillai Dental Care, Young Indian-Health, Dr.Aravind's Fertility Clinic, Departments

of Rehabilitation Sciences, Bio Chemistry, Social Work, DMLT, Audiology and Speech Pathology, and Psychology of Holy Cross College.

The service was planned in such a way that it covers the health demands of all the age groups and school children were focused on more in screening and motivating them to strengthen their physical and mental wellbeing. 4386 individuals participated in this camp.

### **Exposure Visit under “NaanMudhalvan Scheme”**

Holy Cross College, Trichy, organized Exposure Visit under “NaanMudhalvan” Scheme on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023. The aim of the programme was for creating awareness and importance of higher education for high school students in Karur district. This programme was started with the invocation of the Lord’s blessings and NSS volunteers began the session. Welcome speech was given by the Dr. Prema.M (Dean, School of Humanities). 50 students from five schools from Karur district namely (GGHSS Pugalur-9, PMGHSS Karur-9, GGHSS Karur-9, GGHSS Chinnadarapuram-9 and GGHSS Kulithalai-14) and 7 teachers participated.

The first session started with the talk given by Dr. Prema .M (Dean, school of Humanities) who gave a clear and brief explanation about the history of our prestigious college. The importance of language departments and opportunities that one will get were explained. The second session was led by Dr. Inigomary Rita A (Dean, School of Physics Sciences ) who gave a detailed talk on the courses offered by our college and their details. This also included the curriculum structure, scholarships that one may utilise. Also a clear idea and uniqueness of B.Com, B.Voc., B.A. Economics, B.Sc. Mathematics and B.Sc Physics were also explained to the students. The third session was led by Dr.P.Shanthi (Dean, School of Life Sciences) this included a brief explanation on the college infrastructure, the sources available and various facilities that include libraries, HRD etc. Eligibility criteria required and the opportunities that students can avail by being a student of our institution.

The fourth session was taken by Dr. Joicey P Manickam (Dean, School of Rehabilitation and Behavioural Science) who explained about the social services that is rendered by our college to the society and about Vis.Com. & Rehabilitation Science. The final talk was given by Dr. Josephine Lourdes De Rose. V (Vice Principal) who gave a clear distinction between B.A, B.Com and BPO and explained about the eligibility criteria and the opportunities students get by opting for this course. She also gave a detailed overlook about the admission process and the eligibility criteria. At the end a video showing our prestigious institution and its infrastructure was displayed to the students. The session ended with doubt clearing followed by the National Anthem. Finally, the NSS Volunteers accompanied the 50 students for visiting all the departments, library, and labs in the college. The NSS Volunteers explained about each department and its career prospects. A total of 50 students benefited.

Exposure Visit under “NaanMudhalvan” Scheme was also organized on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at 10 a.m in Shanthi Hall. The aim of the programme was for creating awareness and importance of higher education for high school students of Viscontas Goshen (Muslim) Government school, Trichy and Government Model Girls Higher Secondary School, Mannachanallur. This programme was started with the invocation of the Lord’s blessings and NSS volunteers began the session.

The programme started with the prayer followed by a brief talk about the history of the college by Dr. M. Prema, Assistant Professor, PG Department of Tamil. Ms. Lavanya of III BA Economics who has completed her schooling in Manachanallur Government Higher Secondary School spoke about her experience in both school and college. Dr. Senthamarai, Dean, School of Management Studies enlightened the students on the specifications of each department that gave them career guidance. Adding to this Dr. H. M. Leena, Dean, School of Mathematical Computation Sciences, explained about the various departments and their job openings in today’s era. Following this, Dr. Margaret Suganthi, Dean School Media Studies and Fashion Design spoke about the importance of opportunities provided by college HRD which kindled the enthusiastic spirit among the students.



At last the programme came to an end with the National Anthem. Students were taken for the college tour accompanied by the NSS Leaders. They were also taken to Language Lab where, Ms. Ann Esther Shiny and Ms. Srinithi, Trainers, Language Lab spoke about the functions of Language lab as they enhance the language and speaking skills.

### **HCC Centennial Expo 2023 - Arts and Science Exhibition**

The HCC Centennial Expo 2023 Arts and Science Exhibition held from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023 is a part of the grand celebrations that mark the centennial year of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli. This one of its kind Exhibition with the concept- '*Imagine- Invent- Inspire*' aims to present to the students of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, the skills, abilities, and learning dispositions required for the workforce of the new age, through a fascinating display of exhibits, simulation shows and models.

The exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. Thavaselvam, Revenue Divisional Officer, Sub divisional Magistrate Tiruchirappalli and Ms. Kalaivani Trichy East Tahsildar on 2<sup>nd</sup> March at 9:30 a.m. The inaugural was presided over by Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Christina Bridget.A, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli.

Mother Superior Rev. Sr. Lilly Mary David, the Secretary of the College, Rev. (Sr.) Dr. Anne Xavier, the Vice Principals, the Controller of Examinations, the IQAC Co-coordinator, the Deans, Heads of various Departments, teaching and administrative staff were actively involved in the successful conduct of the exhibition. It was co-ordinated by Dr. M. Mary Mejrullo Merlin, Head & Asst. Prof. of Mathematics, Dr. Catherin. L & Dr. Stella Bharathi, Asst. Profs. of Chemistry and Ms. Alphonse Anita, Asst. Prof. of Mathematics.

The purpose of this exhibition is to provide a panoramic view of the history, developments and the future in all the disciplines to the student community, in an interesting futuristic friendly learning ambience. To foster a scientific temper, to encourage aesthetic appreciation, to encourage out of the box thinking and to acquaint the students with the current trends in arts and path breaking innovations in science is what

this exhibition seeks to do. The collaborative efforts of around 5,900 students from 27 departments and the staff resulted in the success of this spectacular Arts and Science exhibition.

### **Themes**

The School of Management Studies showcased different marketing strategies, trading process, budget management and implementation of major economical schemes.

The School of Humanities displayed the prominent stalwarts and milestones in the journey of the languages and the illustrious past as revealed through Archaeology, Numismatics and Philately and developments in Information Science.

The School of Life Sciences presented projects concerning environmental consciousness, the Botanical world, Biological Diversity and Eco-friendly practices.

The School of Mathematical Computation Sciences exhibited the emerging trends, advancements and technologies in the field of Software Development, Artificial Intelligence and Mathematics.

The School of Media Studies and Fashion Design highlighted salient features in Media and Fashion evolution.

The School of Physical Sciences shone the spotlight on Green Sustainability Development and the marvels of the Galaxy in the Interstellar constellation.

The School of Rehabilitation and Behavioural Sciences focused on aspects of sensory awareness, importance of a positive mind and a healthy body and also on significant societal issues that need to be addressed.

**Beneficiaries:** Nearly 16,000 beneficiaries witnessed this extraordinary one of its kind exhibitions that quenched the thirst for learning and inspired the spirit of inquiry. School and college students across Tiruchirappalli. Students of the 25 villages adopted by RESCAPES, Holy Cross College, in Manachanallur and Ayyampalayam

Panchayats, Professors and Teachers across disciplines, Alumnae of the College and the General Public took part in the Exhibition.

This Arts and Science exhibition is a platform where inventive and imaginative ideas are galvanized and projected to find their way to the minds of the student community for useful implementation to bring about a better and brighter world.

### **Dim and Dip Day**

As a green practice Dim and Dip Day is observed once a month to conserve energy. The following days were observed as Dim and Dip Day: 25<sup>th</sup> August, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 20<sup>th</sup> October and 15<sup>th</sup> December 2022 during the odd semester and 25<sup>th</sup> January, 23<sup>rd</sup> February & 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2023, during the even semester.

### **No Vehicle Day**

As an initiative to control air pollution, No Vehicle Day is observed once a month when no vehicle is permitted inside the campus. Staff and Students are encouraged to come by bicycle or use public transport. 30<sup>th</sup> August, 28<sup>th</sup> September, 26<sup>th</sup> October, 19<sup>th</sup> December were observed as No vehicle Days during the odd semester and 31<sup>st</sup> January, 28<sup>th</sup> February, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023 during the even semester.

### **Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)**

15 MoUs were signed during this academic year.

This year 4 MoUs were signed by the college and 2 MoUs by the Department of English, one MoU by the Department of Zoology and 2 MoUs by the Department of Computer Science, one MoU by the Department of Computer Applications & Physics and 2 MoUs by the Department of Rehabilitation Science and one MoU by YUVA club and one by Language Lab.

An MoU was signed on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 between Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy represented by the Principal, Rev Sr. Dr. A. Christina Bridget and Patna Women's College (Autonomous), Patna University, Patna, Bihar, represented by its Principal Dr. Sr. M.

Rashmi A. C. for student and staff exchange programmes and joint research projects and publications.

An MoU was signed on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2022 between Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy represented by the Principal, Rev Sr. Dr. A. Christina Bridget and St. Joseph's College For Women, Irinjalakudda, Kerala, affiliated to University of Calicut, Kerala represented by its Principal Rev. Sr. Dr. Ligy V K, for academic co-operation in order to collaborate for the formation of students, academics and researchers.

An MoU was signed on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022 between Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy represented by the Principal, Rev Sr. Dr. A. Christina Bridget and St. Aloysius College (Autonomous), Jabalpur, Madhya Pradesh represented by its Principal Rev. Dr. G. Vazhan Arasu.

An MoU was signed on 28<sup>th</sup> January 2023 between Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Trichy and St. Francis De Sales College, Nagpur, Maharashtra. The MoU was signed by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget, Principal Holy Cross College and by Dr. K. T. Thomas, Principal of St. Francis De Sales College, Nagpur, Maharashtra.

The Department of English signed two MoUs with Mr. Manoj Dharmar, Founder of Trichy Vision and Shine Trichy and with Dr. Lakshmi Priya, founder Pachyderm Tales Consultancy Private Limited on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022 to promote skill development and critical thinking among the students.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2023, between the PG & Research Department of Zoology and Clinbiocare Technology, Tenkasi a life science based Research laboratory that specializes in a wide range of Research services. This MoU is designed to fulfil various objectives like exchange of information on research, teaching, learning materials and other literature relevant to our educational and research programmes.

On 11<sup>th</sup> October 2022, YUVA Club of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in the presence of Rev. Sr. Dr.

Christina Bridget, Principal Holy Cross College and Young Indians (Yi) Office Bearers – Chairman YiTrichy CA Pradeep, Yi Co-Chair Mr. Ashok Ramanathan, YuvaChair CA Kishore and YuvaCo-Chair Mr. A. Saanthosh. This MoU aims at cooperative educational and academic collaborations.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between HCC and S2S Web Technologies on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. The MoU was signed by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget. A, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli and Er. Sharon Rosy, CEO, S2S Web Technologies, Trichy. The Objective of this MoU is to develop the Institution and Industry Interaction between HCC and S2S Web Technologies.

A tie-up programme between Hope Home and the Language Laboratory (LL), Holy Cross College (HCC) was signed on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023.

A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the HCC and Synergy School of Business Skills, Tiruchirappalli on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli. The MoU was signed by Rev. Sr. Dr. Christina Bridget. A, Principal, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli and Mr. Mohamed Imran, Managing Partner, Synergy School of Business Skills, Cantonment, Tiruchirappalli, for the upliftment of the student community of Computer Science Department with summer Placements, Internships, and training through this MoU.

The PG Department of Computer Applications signed an MoU with “New dream Data Systems Private Limited”, P/24/1, Amman Nagar, Ellakudi, Tiruchirappalli on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2023 for the academic year 2022-2023 to avail their expertise in the domain “Big Data Analytics & Software Development Training with Placement”.

The PG Department of Computer Applications, has renewed the MoU with 2 organizations, namely “Hitakey Infosys, Tiruchirappalli” and “Hitakids, Tiruchirappalli”, on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 and with 2 organizations “Infinisol Technology Pvt. Ltd., Krishnagiri”, “Inspire Innovant Solutions, Yellagiri Hills, Vellore”, on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

An MoU was signed by the PG and Research Department of Physics with Mullai Academia International Pvt. Ltd., Chennai on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

PG & Research Department of Rehabilitation Science, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli has signed an MoU with NIMS (Noorul Islam Institute of Medical Science and Research Foundation), Thiruvananthapuram on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

PG & Research Department of Rehabilitation Science, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli has signed an MoU with Jindal Institute of Behavioral Sciences, O. P. Jindal Global University, Haryana on 17<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

### **Outreach Activities organized by the Alumni Association**

An outreach activity was jointly organised by Alumni association of Holy Cross College (Autonomous) Tiruchirappalli and Youth Red Cross of Holy Cross College. An awareness lecture meeting Centered on the topic Child Protection and Safety was conducted in the Government Higher Secondary School, Thirupanjeeli, Trichy on 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2023. The resource person was Dr. S. Parameswari, Psychiatric Counsellor in the District Child Protection Unit, Trichy. The audience were the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> standard students of the school. Dr. S. Parameswari spoke about the ways a child could protect herself to ensure her safety. She stressed on the importance of protecting oneself safely at home, in school and other public places. She spoke about safety measures like Situational awareness, Safe and unsafe touch (Good and bad touch), expressing when uncomfortable, unsafe actions of others, memorizing the child helpline number-1098, etc. 120 school students benefitted by this program.

On 10<sup>th</sup> March 2023 a Career Guidance program was organized by Holy Cross College HRD team as an Alumnae Outreach programme at Thirupanjili Village. The resource persons were Mr. Sundharesan.R, Product Manager Elsevier - Lexis Nexis and Ms. Ishwarya Ravichandran, alumna from the Department of English. 60 students participated and benefitted from the meeting.

Ms. Ishwarya enlightened the students with the Career opportunities after schooling. Mr. Sundharesan motivated the students with his real life experiences. He concluded that studies is the one and only wealth which cannot be destroyed. He requested the students to share their knowledge with everyone and provided some learning platforms online. Dr. Silviya, HRD Coordinator encouraged the students to do their higher studies. This session helped the students to become the driving force for them to achieve their destination.

### **Premarital Counselling**

The Alumnae Association of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Tiruchirapalli conducted a session on marital counselling for all the final year UG students on 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023 in Our Lady's Hall. The speaker for the session on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2023 was Dr. T. Ramani Devi, Director, Janani Fertility Centre, Trichy. The session started with the introduction of the early stages of marriage, the importance of counselling to those who are getting married and about the issues women face with pregnancy and childbirth caused by various diseases. An awareness on diseases including HIV/HBV/HCV and the screening of HBV and the carrier of HBV was given. Madam also spoke about the importance of vaccination such as the Rubella vaccine and HPV vaccine. 892 students benefitted from this session.

On 15<sup>th</sup> March 2023, Mrs. Sheela Chelliah, Coordinator, Enough to Excellence Centre for Counselling and Skill Development in Children, Trichy was the resource person. Madam spoke on the importance of marriage and family bonding which makes a healthy society. She spoke about the importance of taking vitamin supplements which are necessary for women to maintain healthy bones, boost the immune system and prevent chronic diseases like cancer. The resource person insisted on the importance of family relationship, communication between relationships, affection and intimacy. She also clarified the doubts of the students and the session ended with a vote of thanks. 864 students benefitted from the session.

**LITERARY CONTRIBUTIONS  
BY OUR ALUMNAE**

**Shades of rainbow!**

- Theva Kiruba  
Alumna, Dept. of English

I walk among the trees,  
The sun is shining through the canopy  
The birds are singing songs of joy and peace The wind is whispering  
secrets in my ear  
I feel a connection with the earth and sky A sense of belonging,  
I am here in this moment, alive and aware and the sprinkling  
sweetness everywhere  
I wonder what lies beyond it  
The people and the places I have yet to see  
The dreams and the challenges I have yet to face The stories and  
the memories I have yet to make  
But for now, I am content to be here In this sacred place,  
Where I can feel my essence, my true self Where I can be me,  
with rainbows  
This is my deep feeling in the middle of memories A feeling of  
wonder, of awe, of bliss  
A feeling that fills me with light and hope A feeling that makes me  
worth the more!  
I stop and listen to my heartbeat  
The rhythm of my breath, the flow of my blood  
I feel a surge of gratitude and love For this gift of life, from 'em  
Days rush behind one another immensely; This marvel shall endure  
for all eternity;  
Bunch of memories growing older as branches; Greeny corner  
blooms with rainbow flowers,  
It has no definite shape but pure love!



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### கவிதை

சிறகுகள் முளைத்தது இங்கே !  
சிறையெல்லாம் தகர்ந்தது இங்கே !  
பாதம் கொண்டு காதலோடு  
சுற்றித் திரிந்ததும் இங்கே !  
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துய்த்தது புனித சிலுவையிலே !  
பரவசம் பரவியது ! பாதையில் பட்ட  
முற்களையெல்லாம் பாதியில் போனதென்ன ?  
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கல்லென வந்தேன் சிலையென  
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பகிர்ந்தது இங்கே தான் !  
காலம் உள்ள காலம் வரை காலத்தைக்  
கடந்து கல்லூரி நிலைக்க  
கடவுளை வேண்டுகிறேன் !  
வாழ்க புனித சிலுவை கல்லூரி !

முன்னாள் மாணவி  
தமிழாய்வுத்துறை  
புனித சிலுவைத் தன்னாட்சிக் கல்லூரி  
முனைவர் கே. எஸ். அன்புக்கலா,  
துறைத்தலைவர் மற்றும் உதவிப்பேராசிரியர்.  
மாநில இவணியோஸ் தன்னாட்சிக் கல்லூரி,  
திருவனந்தபுரம்.

கல்வி கற்றவன் எந்த இடத்திற்குச் சென்றாலும் அவன் பிற சமூகத்தால் மதிக்கப்படுகிறான். இதற்குக் காரணம் அவன் கற்ற கல்வியே. கற்றவனுக்கு தனது நாடும் ஊருமே அல்லாமல் எந்த நாடும் ஊரும் தன்னுடைய ஊராகும். இப்படி கல்வி கற்றவனின் சிறப்பு அமைந்துள்ளது. இதனையே வள்ளுவர்.

“யாதானும் நாடாமல் ஊராமல் என்னொருவன்  
சாந்துணையும் கல்லாத வாறு”

என்று குறிப்பிடுகிறார். ஒருவன் தான் எவ்வளவு கல்வி கற்றாலும் அதனை செயல் வடிவில் தக்க வைத்துக் கொள்ள வேண்டும். அப்போதுதான் அவன் கற்ற கல்வியின் பயன் அவனுக்குக் கிடைக்கும். இத்தகு சிறப்பு மிக கல்வியை நான் புனித சிலுவை தன்னாட்சிக் கல்லூரியில் சிறப்பான முறையில் பயின்றேன்.

புனித சிலுவை தன்னாட்சிக் கல்லூரியின் முதுகலைப் பட்டப்படிப்பு தொடங்கியபோது பயின்ற முதல் மாணவி என்னும் பெருமை வாய்க்கப் பெற்றது என் வாழ்வின் மிகப் பெரிய வரம். இளங்கலை ஆங்கில இலக்கியம் பயின்ற எனக்கு தமிழ் இலக்கியத்தின் அடிப்படையைக் கற்றுக்கொடுத்தது எனது கல்லூரி. ஆங்கில இலக்கியம் கற்றிருந்ததால்: தமிழ் இலக்கியம் படித்துத் தேர்வில் வெற்றி பெற இயலுமா? எனக் கேட்ட துறைத்தலைவர் முன்னிலையில் முதல் அகமதிப்பீட்டுத் தேர்வில்: தொல்காப்பியப் பாடத்தில் 97 மதிப்பெண் பெற்று வகுப்பில் முதல் மாணவியாக வெற்றிப் பெற்றது மறக்க இயலாத நிகழ்வு. என்னை உருவாக்கிய தமிழாய்வுத் துறை பேராசிரியர்களின் பெருமை போற்றி வணங்குதற்குரியது. வாய்மொழித் தேர்வின்போது எனது நெறியாளர்

முனைவர். தனபாக்கியம் அவர்கள் எனக்குத் தண்ணீர் தந்து அரவணைத்து நன்றாக பதிலளித்தாய் என பாராட்டியது இன்னும் என் மனதை விட்டு நீங்கா நினைவுச் சின்னம் காலங்கள் பல கடந்தாலும் வாழ்வில் ஏற்றங்கள் பல பெற்றாலும் புனித சிலுவை தன்னாட்சிக் கல்லூரியினால் நான் பெற்ற அன்பும், அரவணைப்பும், கல்வியறிவும் பண்பும் என அனைத்தும் என்றென்றும் என் நெஞ்சை விட்டு நீங்காது; நன்றி கலந்த அன்புணர்வோடு நிலைத்திருக்கும். கல்லூரியின் நூற்ககத்தில் நான் படித்த நூல்கள் என்றும் மறக்க முடியாதது. பெண்களின் முன்னேற்றத்தைக் கருத்தில் கொண்டு வழி நடத்திச் செல்லும் இக்கல்லூரி இக்கால கல்வி முறைகளை; சிறப்புறப் பயிற்றுவித்து எதிர்கால மதிப்பீடுகளைப் பெற்று பல நூற்றாண்டுகள் செம்மார்ந்து திகழும் என்பதில் சிறிதும் ஐயமில்லை. இப்பழமை வாய்ந்த இக்கல்லூரியில் நான் கல்வி பயின்றதை எண்ணி மிகவும் பெருமையடைகின்றேன்.

### **Bidding Adieu**

Rev. Sr. Dr. Jeusin Francis, Former Principal & Head of the Department of Tamil, has been one of the most charismatic and robust icons of this prestigious institution. Sister has years of meritorious service and has held various academic positions. The college and her department will never forget her distinctive disciplined framework during her all-time dedicated service. One might recall her memories fondly as a person who was loved by her students and colleagues.

Dr. Catherin Edward, Former Head and Associate Professor of English, was a dedicated professor. After a lifetime of teaching and mentoring in the PG and Research Department of English, one might recall her memories fondly as a person who was loved by her students and colleagues. Her phenomenal expertise in her career allowed her to shoulder the academic responsibilities. The college and her department will never forget her distinctive disciplined framework during her all time dedicated service at the workplace.

Dr.S.Lilly Rosari, Associate Professor of Commerce, is a very enthusiastic and active person. Ma'am performed all her duties very systematically with utmost care. She has years of commendable service

and has held various positions in the college. One might recall her memories fondly as a person who was loved by her students and colleagues.

Dr. Roseline Selvarani, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, has rendered her fruitful service to this institution. Her enchanting smile and her consistent kindness are the trademarks of her magnetic mien. Her keen involvement in the subject and painstaking efforts taken to mould the young minds is laudable.

We wish all of them good luck and God's blessings as they embark on new ventures in their onward journey of life.

May God Bless them with a peaceful and Happy Retired Life.

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