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# EDITORIAL

DR. AROCKIA ANTO ANITA S  
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"Change is inevitable but transformation is by conscious choice" says Heather Ash Amara. Revisioning the perception from leadership for Cis gender to Trans persons is a conscious choice envisioned by the Jesuits and it is indeed a dare step towards the empowerment of the Transgender Community. This change in thought will become normalized when people in the society includes the Trans persons in the main stream activities of the society and let them undergo the process of transforming and positioning themselves from ordinary human beings to the extraordinary Leaders.

Transforming Transgenders overviews the incessant injustice provoked against the Transgender community and it necessitates the aspects of acceptance and transformation through education which could help them competing themselves in the public arena.

The experiences of the Eight Jewels of our college inform us of their sense of gratification, security, the sense of being loved and supported by their own fellow-beings in the campus that differentiates their unaccepted bitter experiences from outside campus. The space that was created for the exercise of freedom and articulation in the educational environment propel them to achieve and prepare them to be the leaders in the chosen field.

But their another perspective expresses that they are unaccepted, unacknowledged, and unidentified by many though the progression towards empowerment and leadership was initiated. Their unanimous emphasis is on the Transformation in the mindset of people that would change their lives in a better possible way. On the other hand, the Cisgender's thoughts of "normalizing them and recognizing their abilities" gives a hope that the trans persons could also turn to be the achievers and leaders of the society only when they are included in the society.

Be You insists upon the acceptance of oneself and others around us with their imperfections and the view of "being real" is the best version of oneself would leads to the transformation in the personality of the individuals. The influential thought of the article, "Our attitude makes us or breaks us" accentuates the Change in the attitude that brings Transformation in the lives of Trans persons, for which they need formation in our educational set up.

I hope that this Newsletter- LAN clearly shares the views and vision of the Cis gender people and Trans persons on Transformational Leadership for Trans persons. Forming and transforming the lives of ALL are the noble tasks given to us; Trans persons are not the exception. Let us continue to contribute for the transformation of these gender minorities and help them feel accomplished as liberated individuals and the Leaders of the society.

**Let your light Shine!**

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**ACCEPT NO ONE'S DEFINITION  
OF YOUR LIFE; DEFINE YOURSELF.**

*- Harvey Fierstein.*



# Joyful Christmas Greetings

Rev Dr Francis P. Xavier SJ  
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Dear members of Loyola Family,

Greetings. In the Christmas season we exchange greetings and gifts (of what we have but we are invited to exchange of what we are with others.

Being: Let us, as Ignatius would say, bring to our imagination the Child born on the first Christmas night. It was a fragile and human and vulnerable Child at the mercy of animals and threatened by inclemency of weather. It was a migrant child as His parents were on their way for registration as part of Roman census. There was nothing to clothe-in and nothing to feed on for this Baby who descended from Heaven. Is this child, for us, one of the 10,000 children dying every day due to hunger and malnutrition; or one of the 125,000 unwanted/aborted children every day; or one of the children left out soon after birth in hospitals or along the road as useless or not needed? We could ask ourselves the Ignatian questions: What have I done to them? What am I doing to them? And what could I do to them?

Becoming: But this fragile Child, born in a dark and insignificant and unknown cave, would grow up to say: I am the Way (Jn 14:6). This Child, in need of so many necessities to survive every moment, would say one day: Come to me all who are weary and heavily burdened (Mt 11:28). This unknown Child would become the center of heaven and earth on the Cross so that we could live, move and have our being (Act 17:28). We too, as children of God, have the potential to become the other but we need to realize it. Jesus said: I am the light (Jn 8:12) and he also said, you are the light (Mt 15:14). We are invited to become the Light of Jesus to others.

Response: Is Christmas an event or an experience? Event is routine but experience is a life-changer. What is our response to the lonely children left out untended and uncared for? Jesus of Christmas implies we need to be born in others' lives - We need to be the game-changer in others' lives for the better. The world is burning with war and greediness; and people are longing with desire for freedom and equality. We are the Moses standing at the foot of the burning bush (of issues): Are we just spectators or path-makers? Initially Moses was curious to look at the burning bush; but he soon realized his role to become the liberator of the oppressed.

Christmas is a divine intervention to redeem us and we now need to redeem people from poverty, discrimination, injustice. Jesus came to make us divine. Irenaeus said: Glory of God is human beings fully alive. We need to turn non-people into our equals. Then, we could sing Gloria with the angels.

May the peace and joy of the Babe of Bethlehem descend on us and remain with us and radiate through us to the entire world around us. Happy Christmas. The Jesuit Community would remember you in prayers especially during this holy season. Wish you a happy New Year 2023.

With kind regards,



# Message From Principal

Rev. Dr A. Thomas S.J  
Principal, Loyola College.



Christmas spreads the values of brotherhood, love, tolerance, peace, and compassion. It is an occasion to celebrate people and people who are on the margins of our society. It is indeed a right time to reflect on our attitude towards inclusivity of the neglected and gender minorities in all walks of lives. India stands tall in the world today in the realm of diversity and plurality; hence this is particularly significant. Diverse but unified. Yes, India is a dynamic constitutional democracy that embraces plurality in culture, language, religion, and ethnicity and still maintains cohesiveness and togetherness amidst this diversity.

Our Indian Constitution has, not only, assured political equality but also solemnly affirms that everyone is equal, regardless of race, gender, religion, class, and creed. This necessitates that we need to look after our fellow human beings despite our differences and view differences as complimenting and not as threats. There is a need to defeat forces that divide us based on religion, caste, gender, and language.

In a special way, I am very happy to note that this newsletter pays attention to the Transformational Leadership of the Trans persons. You may wonder on how this transformation is possible when the trans community experience tremendous stigma, discrimination, and systemic injustice, including inadequate healthcare, education, and safety from assault and poverty. These problems are persistent for many Trans persons, and they frequently encounter prejudice, rejection, and pressure to "manage" their identities in social settings. But we can alter this abominable situation by our constant support and solidarity which would enable the Trans persons find their voices, develop their abilities, help them join the mainstream society and transform themselves to be the leaders with their acceptance of the 'power within.' It is essential that both the present and future generations are made aware of their rights and issues as the Indian Constitution itself forbids discrimination based on religion, caste, gender, and creed and demands that Citizens and the Government treat everyone equally and lends support to the empowerment of all.

The secret to embracing equality and inclusivity in all spheres is gender sensitization which will further transform the trans community and produce leaders in their community in the future. Neglect is to be neglected. Individuals must make a commitment to keep advocating for and supporting the trans persons community to have an equal opportunity and rights to prosper, participate and perform in all social and political realms. The season of Christmas also reiterates the life in harmony with all in this universe. Let us accompany the trans community with care and compassion in their journey of attaining the state from Right to Leadership which would guarantee them the trust, love, joy, peace and emancipation in their lives.

Merry Christmas to you all!







# Transforming Transgenders



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Rev. Dr M. S. Jacob S.J  
Vice – Principal for Infrastructure

A firm commitment to "Leave No One Behind" and ensuring a life of dignity for everyone, including LGBTQIA+ persons, is embodied in the 2030 Agenda for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We will not be able to sustain the SDG gains we have made without inclusive growth. Though I have seen transgenders on the road here and there during my travels, I became very close to the transgenders during Chennai Floods in 2015 as Loyola hosted them with food and accommodation for about 10 days. The transgender people like Sudha, Jeya, Kavya, and a few others became very friendly to me. That was the time I changed my perspective totally about the transgender people. They are so lovely, genuine, caring, bold, and supportive to the needy in spite of their struggle to be. As I was the Director of Loyola FM Radio, I chose Transgender community in Chennai as our target group for our community outreach. With the help of Ms. Sudha, Ms. Jeya, Ms. Kavya and others, we started training a few transgenders through our LIVE, Loyola College in computer skills. It was a good success and we also started taking census of transgender youth in Tamil Nadu in collaboration with Sahodharan, a NGO working tirelessly for their welfare.

The transgender community in India goes through lots of struggles and difficulties getting access to healthcare, education, housing, employment, and other sources of support. The majority of the community must deal with violence, stigma, and discrimination daily, which frequently force them to live on the margins. They have so far remained aloof and secluded, avoiding social movements, public dialogues, and the mainstream media, which frequently ignore their needs and voices. They are caught in a cycle of marginalisation and exclusion: frequently rejected by their families, forced out onto the streets, harassed at school, and unable to find a decent employment. Gender-diverse and transgenders frequently experience violence in healthcare settings, including coercive medical procedures like forced psychiatric evaluations, unwanted surgeries, sterilisation, and other coercive medical procedures that are frequently justified by unfair medical classifications, to exercise their rights to legal recognition.

The intention to punish based on preconceived views of what the victim's gender identity should be, with a binary understanding of what defines a male and a female, or the masculine and the feminine, and is at the heart of acts of violence and discrimination. These behaviours are invariably the result of deeply ingrained stigma and prejudice, illogical anger, and a sort of violence against women that are motivated by the desire to punish people who are perceived to be breaking gender norms.

It is significant to note that it has a long profound influence on public policy, legislation, and jurisprudence, infiltrating all spheres of state action globally and the public conscience. It will take time to completely eradicate the idea that various kinds of gender are pathologies from society. They may alter their gender roles and/or feminise or masculinise their bodies and looks to ease this discomfort by hormone therapy, surgery, hair additions or removal, dress or style, or with the use of other accessories. While gender dysphoria makes it more difficult to maintain a good body image, there is a professional help available that can lessen dysphoria and speed up the process of coming out in order to affirm the diversity of gender identities and expression. Many transgender, transsexual, and gender-variant people are able to develop a good body image despite these obstacles, especially as they embrace their true selves.

At Loyola College, it is our firm resolve to admit such students, handhold them dearly to complete their degrees without much difficulty. Transforming the transgenders through education is the real empowerment process. It will make them stand on their own feet. Coming together as an educated group will help them get rid of their low self-image isolation and frustration and organize themselves as a political and lobbying group. Once they are united an educated, mature and a political group, they can lobby with the public and the government and assert their rights to be fully human and fully alive.



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# The Strongest went through the Darkest

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In my view, leadership comes from the power of willingness, trust, and self-confidence that a person has the potential to lead a group or a community. If you ask me if I want to lead, I would say YES. My sole purpose in wanting to be a leader is not to achieve power, but to make a difference in people's lives.

I represent a minority community that still suffers today, the lack of opportunity, discrimination, hate for people in the community, lack of knowledge can be factors of misunderstanding transpersons. Remember, choosing this life has never been a choice, it was given to me and I accepted it.

In later Indian texts, transpersons were highly placed and part of our culture. Lord Rama, in the epic Ramayana, was leaving for the forest for 14 years, turns around to his followers and asks all the 'men and women' to return to the city. Among his followers, Transwomen decided to stay. In awe of their loyalty, Rama gave them the power to bless people.

**In Christianity, Chapter Isaiah- 56** "For this is what the Lord says: To the eunuchs who keep my Sabbaths, who choose what pleases me and hold fast to my covenant to them I will give within my temple and its walls a memorial and a name better than sons and daughters; I will give them an everlasting name that will endure forever."



- **My question to the readers is, whilst each religion can accept transpersons, why can't humans?**
- **Besides acceptance, why can't opportunities be given?**

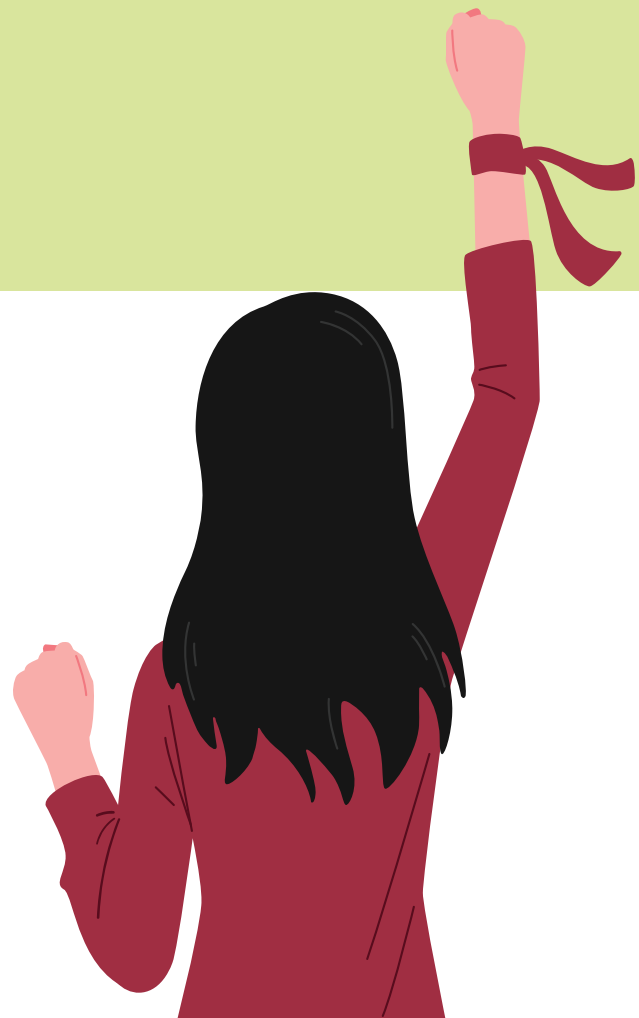
When we do not get what must be given rightfully, we develop an attitude of leadership, which strives for the betterment of our community enabling us to transform according to our potential to survive and succeed amidst all the consequences thrown at us. I've personally learnt the change is permanent, and we must sustain even at the hardest. As I consider that the strongest, went through the darkest.

Femininity is the key to womanhood. Feminine qualities turn us into a woman. But because of society, we carve our body to correspond to people's expectations or perceptions of being a woman. It took me a lot to be what I am today. I will fight against stigma, inequality and non-acceptance of transwomen until we arrive at a normal situation. I believe every human being is entitled to live his or her life with dignity.

Loyola is an institution which is very inclusive, I feel blessed to study here, and I would say that this college is home to me. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Rev Fr. Principal, Rev Fr. Justin Prabhu and Rev Fr. Jacob, who are my pillars of support. It was their kind initiative that led me to see progress in my life. They have reached out to a lot of those in need. I am eternally grateful and simple words cannot show the appreciation and respect I have for them.

I cannot expect the change to happen today, but I believe it will happen some day. Yet change begins from us! So let's start changing our perception towards transpersons for a better society!

RHEA VARGHESE (22-UDJ-037)  
Student Editor (LAN)



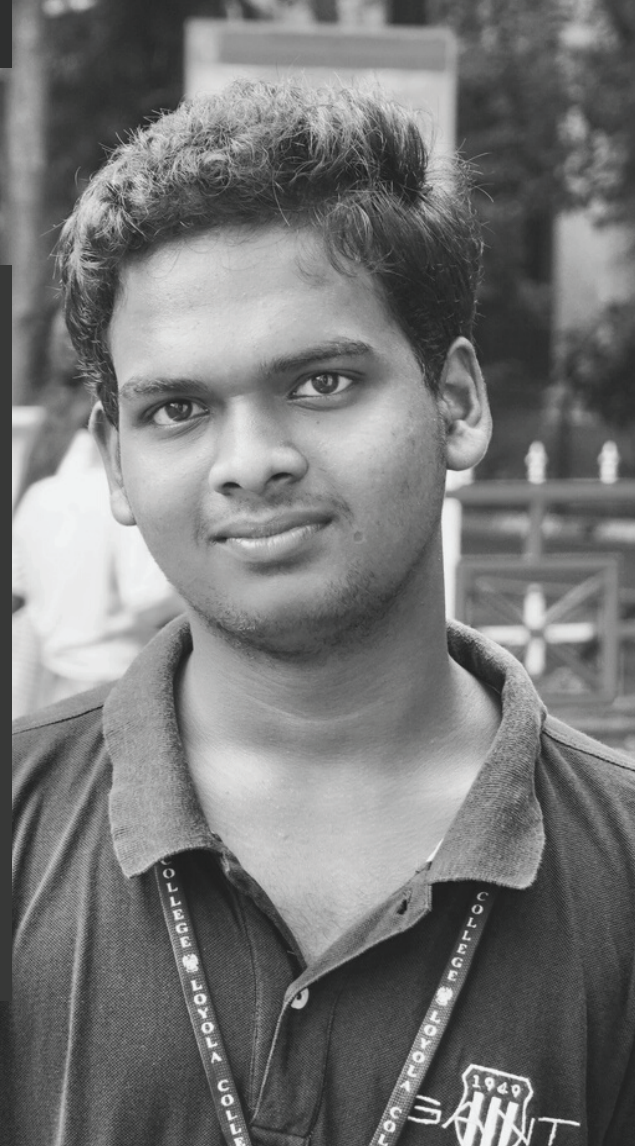
I am greatly interested in the medical field. Love, according to me, is about the characteristics of a person. My future desire is to grow into a beautiful woman. My friends here at Loyola treat me in an unbiased manner. I feel very confident with and around them because they treat me as if I were a woman amongst them. Their affection is what I need. Speaking of family, I still miss them while I'm away from home. I'm very interested in extracurricular activities such as art and craft. I think that a person is a leader when he or she is of good character. In terms of society, however, I feel nothing different. My advice to people in society, however, is not to deny their children. To other trans people in my community, I wish to inspire them through my study initiative. And I want to improve my grades by focusing on my studies. I aspire to be like actress Nayanthara, who is loved by everyone. My only challenge is for my parents to accept me from here onwards. And speaking about relationships, from what I understand, I believe it is about being open-minded and openhearted. Loyola treats me very well, where there isn't room for discrimination along with good teaching and great friends.

**Monika (22-UAZ-050)**




I believe that God is love and I aspire to be an excellent researcher. Here in Loyola, all of my friends are great to me. I excel in classical dance, and I like to give speeches. A leader, in my opinion, is someone who commands a group or a country. Leadership is the art of inspiring a group of people toward a common purpose. And yes, I look upon myself as a leader. In terms of society, they continue to treat us differently. My advice to them would be to respect everyone and not to hurt anyone's feelings. I want to be a thoughtful person. And I can confidently say that Loyola treats us with reverence.

**Kalaikumar (a) Adhini- PG (1st year)**






A black and white portrait of a young man with dark, wavy hair, wearing a white collared shirt and a striped tie. He is looking slightly to the right with a gentle smile.

I am a national-level player and an athlete. If you ask about the definition of life, none of us can give the actual definition as everyone's perspective varies. My future plan is to get a good job. I was shy during the initial days of college, but now I am significantly confident and I have had the privilege of making numerous friends, what I admire most about them is the way they understand me. I'm the only kid in my family and I live with my grandma. I can say that I am a good dancer as far as my abilities are concerned. In my opinion, leadership is the capacity to influence and guide others. If you support, guide and share your knowledge with those around you, and if you care about their well-being and do all you can to help them achieve success, you are a leader.

**GnanaPrakash- UG (1st year)**

A black and white portrait of a young man with dark, curly hair, wearing a plaid shirt. He is looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression.

I see photography as my area of focus. I believe we must live our lives to the best of our ability. My future interest is to have a photography studio and have my own home. My friends treat me with normalcy, and they help me in all ways. I love my family and the support they provide. I can say I'm good with photography. I think leaders are people who treat everybody equally. Leadership is about motivating the team to reach a common goal. Personally, I am saddened by the fact that society treats us still differently. I would like to suggest that we be treated according to our gender identity and not according to what they think about us. I want to upgrade my Kabbadi skills. I want to become a thriving transman within our community. Relationship refers to understanding a person and moving accordingly. I'm so glad Loyola treats me so fine.

**Deepak- UG (2nd year)**



"Our  
attitude  
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Transformational  
leadership for  
Transpersons.

Rev. Fr Francis P Xavier SJ  
Rector, Loyola Institutions

The uniqueness of each individual needs to be respected. Thoreau, an American naturalist, philosopher, and transcendentalist, said (1854): "If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away." This could be applied to the context of human orientation and gender, as each person is a combination of "masculine" and "feminine" qualities and traits, thereby adding to the realm of complexities. "Transgender" is the term that refers to a person to indicate expression or behavior that may not be associated with the conventional definition or designation of sex assigned at birth. Though sex is assigned at birth based on one's biological status, gender refers to the socially ascribed, constructed, recognized, and accepted roles, behaviors, activities or attributes. This powerfully influences people in their feeling and interaction with others. Transformation of the status of transgender people is possible through influence of a model – when there exists a barrier, and once someone makes a breakthrough, the rest becomes an achievable possibility for all.

Transgenders emerge as models of self-respect and self-confidence. We see many of them joining modern institutions such as administration, police force, army etc. It is the outcome of inspiration drawn from a pioneer of the model which emanates a feeling of self-worth and self-confidence. The change begins from the person and calls for acceptance by the society. And with the realization that human dignity, the right to be respected as well as identity is every human being's inherent and democratic need, and with the embracing inclusive support of the society, they become recognized and accepted as equals.

**In Loyola, we have seen transgender people making history, even making it to the Student Council. They have been able to adapt themselves to the milieu in the campus and other students are open to the changing reality. LIBA is offering a specialized Mini-Management Program that helps our transgender students get employed in the Chennai Metro Network.**

Much depends on our attitude – our attitude could make us or break us. Change in attitude within leads to change in reality out there. One needs openness and the courage to face the reality, however challenging or inviting it might be.

So far as Siddhartha was enclosed within the pomp and power of the royal palace, his world view was different. When he came out of his protective shell, he was encountered by the problems in the society (namely, old age, sickness, death). He felt the pain of others and he touched their world through his heart. The outcome was the change in his mindset and attitude. And there emerged the Buddha, the Enlightened one. In the same way, we need to form our hearts to understand others from their perspective, and then train our mind to think positively in order to do our best for all around us. Our formation in the temple of learning should bring in transformation in the world, especially to the less privileged and socially neglected.







Fr Justin Prabhu SJ and Fr MA Jacob SJ along with transgender students studying at Loyola College, Chennai.







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# Be you

The beauty of Incarnation.

Rev. Fr Justin Prabhu S. J  
Director, Office of Media Relations (OMR)



**B**e You. The prime objective of Jesuit education is to engage students to critically examine assumptions about reality, particularly human persons. The birth of a person is the starting point for clarifying these assumptions based on the philosophy of the human person. God taking a form of a human person is indeed the impetus for us to understand that personhood in us and others. Hence, the incarnation is a mystery in which we are a part, and the philosophical problem is human knowing and identity. Hence, problems are detachable and one is able to arrive at a solution.

The quest for the human person is to live life fully human and fully alive: getting to know thyself lends better growth and development in critical thinking, writing and living. It is getting to know God for the gift of life would always make a person fully alive and ever grateful. For a transperson, to know and understand his/her own body and mind and their profound relationship, lived out in freedom and love becomes contentious, and often confusing.

without making it complex and ambiguous. The recurring question for examining oneself is: how to live as a human person with gratefulness amidst body-mind dichotomy.

Among many things, what Loyola does uniquely for those eight transpersons who are studying currently is to cultivate critical reading, writing and thinking skills in them. Loyola will continue to accompany them to discern and understand knowledge, human existence, life, and leadership in them. Finally, at this time of Christmas when we joyfully celebrate the birth of Jesus, let us respect and love life in us and in those around us. Hence, be you. Be real. Be authentic and be the best version of yourself.

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# SOW THE SEEDS OF EQUALITY NOW!

Disha Khabiya (22-UVC-202)

As someone interested in leadership, this naturally got me thinking about the implications of transgender leaders who could lead in various roles such as the military, country or an organisation. When thinking about transgender people who are leaders, I think about the various difficulties they have to go through just to be their own self. They are often seen as someone who is not “authentic” enough but what is authenticity if not being the best version of yourself and feeling confident in the skin you are in?

Transgender people discover possibilities to share their own tales when they have the chance to hone their leadership abilities. This changes everything. These individuals serve as examples for their communities. They uphold social customs that improve and mould the lives of their contemporaries and succeeding generations.

As transgender employees become more comfortable in the environment they are in, stigma against them should fade. Less stigma against transgender people will result in more perceiving them to be authentic — which will help them as leaders and perceive a better future.

As cis people, we can help the trans people by making them feel more welcomed in the society, by normalising transgender employees, by creating environments that are welcoming, accepting and comforting to gender minorities. We need to ensure that all policies created are trans-friendly. We need to include transgender issues in all diversity and inclusion trainings. Importantly, we need to ensure that succession planning and leadership hierarchy include qualified trans employees and help them in becoming future leaders. We need to sow the seeds now to ensure equality in the future!

My name is Jency. As a trans woman, I take pride in being one. My ardent desire in life is to become the first trans woman Professor of English. Because I would consider such a vocation desirable and be proud. After completing my PhD, wherever I would be serving in the merit of a Professor, I would treat my students like my children. Because as transpersons we are not blessed with the gift of bearing children. Perhaps, for this reason, God sowed a desire in my heart to be trans woman Professor. Driven by this maternal instinct, I want to become an achiever in education and set an example to others. Because only education will bring about a change in people's attitudes and behaviour. I feel compelled to highlight the importance of education because today's transpersons are abandoned by their parents and society. Education will definitely help people to reach safer shores and this is the truth I have discovered from my experience. Wanting to become a Professor is not to inspire on transpersons but everyone. Trans women can achieve anything.

Everybody has difficulties. Similarly, transpersons also more certainly have difficulties. I faced my share of challenges, problems, and strife. Amidst all these, I have a hunger for education and want to win in life. More than anyone else, we transpersons crave for love. We are slaves of love. Perhaps, that's why a lot of transpersons are misused. They are deprived of love. Families and society drive us out. Who shows us love? Every religion insists on showing love, but not everyone follows. There are people who show us, but have selfish motives. My life craves for love and that is the obvious truth. Once I become a Professor in the future, I would use education as a tool to bring a grand change in the society. Moreover, I would guide transpersons through education and find them opportunities in academia. I want to see transpersons across all disciplines, scaling great heights, and winning gold medals. I have undergone such pain and ordeal to get to where I am today. Education has always been elusive to the transgender community. I want to be there for everyone and help in whatever way I can, until my last breath. Education is the modification of human behaviour.

Even as a child, I wanted to be a teacher. I would gather kids from the neighbourhood and teach them. Even then I taught as a woman, as a lady teacher. I decided then, "One day, I would be a Professor and I would realise my dream". I have donned other avatars as a radio jockey, a news reader in a YouTube channel, announcer at the Chennai Book Fair.

I want to work not only for transgenders, but for all. I would stand by them, support them, and arrive at solutions for their challenges. Our society is like a big ocean. No matter how much we throw into it, it absorbs everything. Problems for the transgender community is also created by our society. Transgenders are suffering every day. Even though awareness is given, only few understand. When people start treating us like their own families, there will be change. So if awareness and information about transgender people is made part of school education through textbooks, it will change this society.

I am pursuing my research studies in English at Loyola. Every time I step foot in Loyola College, I consider it a temple. After so many hardships, I feel refreshed here. It is only in our college, students, professors, and staff treat transgenders with respect. The students here treat us like sisters and brothers. They lead by example as to how to treat transgender people and how to approach them. Every year transgender students join the college. And it is all because of people like Fr Justin, Fr Jacob, and Fr Principal. They extend immense support to transgenders in Loyola College. I would like to reiterate that Loyola has always been a temple.

**Ms. Jency N**  
**Ph.D Research Scholar**







**THE BEAUTY OF STANDING  
UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS IS OTHERS  
SEE YOU STANDING AND  
STAND UP AS WELL.**

*- Cassandra Duffy.*





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I assume life is only once, and for me love is a pious feeling. Going forward, I am interested in modeling and becoming a future make-up artist. Here in Loyola, I'm treated very well by my classmates. Describing my friends, they are truly innocent. I'm skillful in henna design and on makeup. A leader is an individual who directs a team or group. Leadership means taking risks and addressing challenges. From my perspective, I see myself as a leader. And I'm glad to say that I'm the sports secretary of the Union for Women here in Loyola. My impression is that society still does not provide opportunities to transsexuals. I will do what I can to help the people of my community. The advice I would like to give the society is not to hurt transsexuals. We face challenges in our daily lives. I suggest that we provide opportunities, because everyone in our community is extremely talented. I want to be helpful and compassionate. I am very glad that Loyola treats me very well.

**Sharmika- B.Sc Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology**



Modelling is my area of interest. Looking ahead, I plan to enter the movie industry. While studying in Loyola, my friends treated me like a woman without difference and treated me equally. They support me, no matter what. Talking about my family, I feel privileged that they have accepted me for who I am. I love walking in ramp shows, and I dance and have even been a member of Loyola's dream team. The key qualities to be a leader in my definition would be to guide everyone equally in the mutual respect of others. Society hasn't changed yet, and I see everything as the same. If people leave us free, that's more than enough. I want to expand my skills, doing more modeling projects in the future. A simple human with peacefulness is what I all want to be. There were days when I struggled for one-time food, I faced theft, even beaten by people and was hospitalized earlier. I learned that people use us for their own purposes and the world is filled with few good people. I consider myself blessed to be a student of Loyola. And right from my acceptance and in many ways Loyola has helped me a lot.

### **Mirthulla, Alumna of Loyola.**

Life is a journey with ups and downs. Self love is all we need. I've planned my future on becoming an HR and even startup community based business for the LGBTQIA+ community. Early schooling, I've faced bullying but after transition, I am respected by my classmates. The thing which I like the most from my friends is that I can share my feelings with them. At initial stages, my parents didn't understand about me, then later on they turned to become super supportive and I consider my mom as my superhero. A leader is someone who inspires passion and motivation in followers. Leadership is influencing other people to follow. Anyone who can influence people to follow them has leadership qualities. No, I want our society to accept not only trans women but all genders as equal towards them. My contribution has been immensely appreciated by our community members even internationally. Convincing my parents regarding myself was challenging. Transitioning was a difficult phase and due to treatments. To me, a relationship is a commitment not to leave each other. Loyola has always supported and encouraged me. The love which I received from the college can't be explained. A proud loyolite I am.

### **Shakshi Angel - Alumna of Loyola.**



# Campus Cognizance

## •September

1.09.2022 - A Discourse on "From Poetry to Theatre" was organized by English Literary Association, Department of English.

2.09.2022- Valedictory function of 88th Bertram Memorial Tournament was organized by Department of Physical Education.

3.09.2022 - Inauguration of Loyola Foreign Languages Association was organized by Department of Foreign Languages.

5.09.2022 - Teachers' Day & Inaugural Function of Ovation's was organized by Office of the Dean of Students' Loyola Students Council.

6.09.2022 - Inauguration of the Sociology Association (2022-2023) was organized by Department of Sociology.

7.09.2022 - Inauguration of Thathuva Podhagar Tamil Association was organized by Department of Tamil

7.09.2022 - Programme on Higher Education Opportunities at Foreign Universities for College Students was organized by Offices of Academic Deans & Dean of Research.

7.09.2022 - Inauguration of Data Science Association & Freshers Day was organized by Department of Data Science.

7.09.2022 - Inauguration of Forum for Information Technology (2022-2023) was organized by Department of Computer Science.

10.09.2022 - Inauguration of the Business Administration Forum (2022-2023) was organized by Department of Business Administration.

10.09.2022 - Awareness Campaign on Cardiac Health was organized by Prashanth Hospitals in association with Department of Visual Communication.

14.09.2022 - Workshop on "Art of Publishing in a High Impact Journal" was organized by Department of English.

19.09.2022 - Inauguration of Loyola Mathematics Association Shift 2 (2022-2023) organized by Department of Mathematics (Shift 2).

20.09.2022 - இனிகோ தமிழ்ப்பேரவை தொடக்கவிழா - was organized by Department of Tamil.

20.09.2022 - Inauguration Function of the LEAD (2022-2023) was organized by Department of Economics.

21.09.2022 - Inauguration of the Commerce Forum (2022-2023) was organized by Department of Commerce (Shift II).

22.09.2022 - அறக்கட்டளைச் சொற்பொழிவுகள் was organized by Department of Tamil.

22.09.2022 - Inauguration of Forum for Loyola Women Students (FLOWS) was organized by Office of the Dean of Women Students.

22.09.2022 - Guest Lecture on Lumières: Voltaire et Rousseau was organized by Department of Foreign Languages.

22.09.2022 - Guest Lecture on "Graphic Novel as Counter-Discourse" was organized by Department of English.

22.09.2022 - Fr. Gaston Roberge SJ Endowment Lecture was organized by Department of Visual Communication and Multimedia - Animation.

22.09.2022 - Guest Lecture on Data Science in Telecom Industry organized by Department of Data Science.

22.09.2022 - A Guidance Programme on "How to Crack Interviews" was organized by Department of Mathematics (Shift II).

22.09.2022 - Guest Lecture on Digital Marketing was organized by Department of Commerce (Shift II).

23.09.2022 - Inaugural Programme of the Springboard- A Leadership Programme for Quality Circle Members was organized by IQAC.

23.09.2022 - National Webinar on "Applications of Edible Coating and Composite films in Food Packaging" was organized by UG Chemistry & PG Food Chemistry and Food Processing, Department of Chemistry (Shift II).

23.09.2022 - NSS Day 2k22 organized by Loyola NSS Unit.

24.09.2022 - Workshop on "Computational Chemistry for Bio Technology" was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).

5.09.2022 - Loyola Alumni Day

26.09.2022 - Guest Lecture on Quantitative Research in Equity Market was organized by Loyola Economics Association for Development (LEAD), Department of Economics.

27.09.2022 - World Tourism Day 2022 was organized by Department of History in collaboration with India Tourism, Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India.



# Campus Cognizance

## ● September - October

7.09.2022 - Guest Lecture on Total Quality Management-Workplace Ethics-Through 5S Concepts was organized by Department of Business Administration.

28.09.2022 - Inauguration of the Loyola Commerce & Analytics Forum was organized by Department of B Com Computer Applications.

29.09.2022 - Lecture on "Taiwan: Current Development and Prospects for Cooperation with India" was organized by Department of International Relations.

30.09.2022-1.10.2022 - Ovations 2022 was organized by Office of the Dean of Students' Loyola Students Council.

6.10.2022 - Special Lecture on "The Mental Health of Women in the Era of Technology" was organized by Office of the Dean of Women Students & forum for Loyola Women students.

7.10.2022 - Dr. M. X. Miranda Endowment Lecture was organized by Department of History.

8.10.2022 - Seminar on "Web Application Development using PHP & MySQL" was organized by Department of Computer Science.

8.10.2022 - Corpus Christi Procession

10.10.2022 - Inauguration of Loyola Physics Association (2022-2023) was organized by Department of Physics.

10.10.2022 - Guest Lecture on "Real Time Projects in Data Science" was organized by Department of Data Science.

10.10.2022 - Inauguration of Social Workers' Association for Staff and Students (SWASS) was organized by Department of Social Work.

10.10.2022 - Guest Lecture on "Do you have the skills to take on tomorrow?" was organized by Department of Business Administration.

10.10.2022-15.10.2022 - Commemoration of World Mental Health Day was organized by Department of Counselling Psychology in collaboration with Loyola Counselling Center (LCC) Data Science.

14.10.2022 - Online Seminar on Re-Imagining the renaissance times in Robert Browning's the last duchess was organized by Department of English.

15.10.2022 - Faculty Development Program was organized by IQAC.

15.10.2022 - Workshop on Memory Studies was organized by Department of English in collaboration with Chennai Literary Association.

15.10.2022 - Retreat for all Catholic Girls (UG & PG) and I UG Catholic Boys.

17.10.2022 - Literary Exhibition: The Importance of Being Earnest at Hard Times was organized by Department of English.

17.10.2022 - Orientation Programme on "Higher Education in France" was organized by Department of Foreign Languages.

17.10.2022-19.10.2022 - Workshop on "Expressive Arts Therapy" was organized by Department of Counselling Psychology.

17.10.2022 - Literary Exhibition: The Importance of Being Earnest at Hard Times was organized by Department of English.

19.10.2022 - Lecture cum workshop on "Career opportunities in Food Industries & Baking Technology" was organized by PG Food Chemistry and Food Processing, Department of Chemistry.

Invited Lecture on "Can Pex-Region of Matrix 19.10.2022 - Metalloproteinases- Type II be a Potential Target in Ovarian and Lung Cancers?" was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).

20.10.2022 - Webinar on Tholkaappiyatthil Kadhal Vaazhkai was organized by Veeramamunivar Literary Association, Department of Tamil (Shift II).

21.10.2022 - Interdepartmental Competitions in Commemoration of World Food Day was organized by PG Food Chemistry and Food Processing, Department of Chemistry (Shift II).

21.10.2022 - Student Development Programme on "Entrepreneurship Development" was organized by Department of Corporate Secretaryship.

26.10.2022 - Fuzzy and Graph Theory Mathematical Exhibition was organized by Department of Mathematics.

26.10.2022 - Student Development Programme on "Intellectual Property Rights" was organized by Department of Corporate Secretaryship.

26.10.2022 - Invited Lecture on A Primer to Computer Aided Drug Discovery (CADD) was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).

# Campus Cognizance

## ● October - December

27.10.2022 - National Conference on Nano Bio-Medicine and Human Stem Cells (NCONS) was Organized by Center for Medical and Environmental Science, LIFE & Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology.

28.10.2022 - A Lecture Discussion on Exploring Indianness as Pedagogy in the Academia was organized by LISSTAR.

28.10.2022 - Workshop on "Hiring Mechanism" - THRIVE was organized by Department of Corporate Secretaryship.

28.10.2022 - Invited Talk on "Drafting and Conveyancing" was organized by Department of Corporate Secretaryship.

29.10.2022 - Workshop on Transformational Role of HR in Building Organization Culture was organized by Department of Social Work (Shift 2).

31.10.2022 - CONNAISSANCE 2022 was organized by BBA France, LIAC.

31.10.2022 - Ph.D. Public Viva Voce of Mr. Khanmi Kasomva.

31.10.2022 - Guest Lecture on Time Series Analysis was organized by Departments of B.Com Accounting & Finance & B.Com Computer Applications, LIAC.

31.10.2022 - Workshop on Basics of SPSS was organized by Department of B.Com Accounting & Finance, LIAC.

1.11.2022 - Guest Lecture on Remedies for breach of contract was organized by Department of B.Com. (Honours), LIAC.

1.11.2022 - Local Governance Day was organized by School of Human Excellence (SHE).

1.11.2022 - Ashok Mehta Endowment Lecture was organized by Department of History.

2.11.2022 - One Month Career Courses Certificate Distribution for Coding in Python & Data Visualization was organized by Department of Data Science.

3.11.2022 - Invited Talk on Molecular Understanding of Flexible Organic Electronics was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).

3.11.2022 - A Special Interactive Session on TN Legislative Assembly: Functions and Challenges 2022 was organized by School of Human Excellence (SHE).

5.11.2022 - Cancer Awareness Programme & Medical Schemes was organized by Center for Medical and Environmental Science, LIFE & Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology.

7.11.2022-15.11.2022 - Odd Semester (2022-23) CIA-II Tests for all UG & PG students.

8.11.2022 - Grand Opening of Murasoli Maran Floor was organized by Loyola College

8.11.2022 - Special Lecture on Veeramaamunivar - Arulpaniyum, Arasiyal Paniyum was organized by Department of Tamil.

21.11.2022-22.11.2022 - Two Day National Workshop: Training of Trainers - (TOT 2022) Becoming Effective Teachers & Trainers was organized by Department of English.

29.11.2022-30.11.2022 - Two-Day Regional Workshop on Biostatistical Tools using MS Excel (BST2022) was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).

3.12.2022 - Kalanjiyam Kalai Virudhugal 2022 & World Disability Day was organized by RCDA & UDAO.

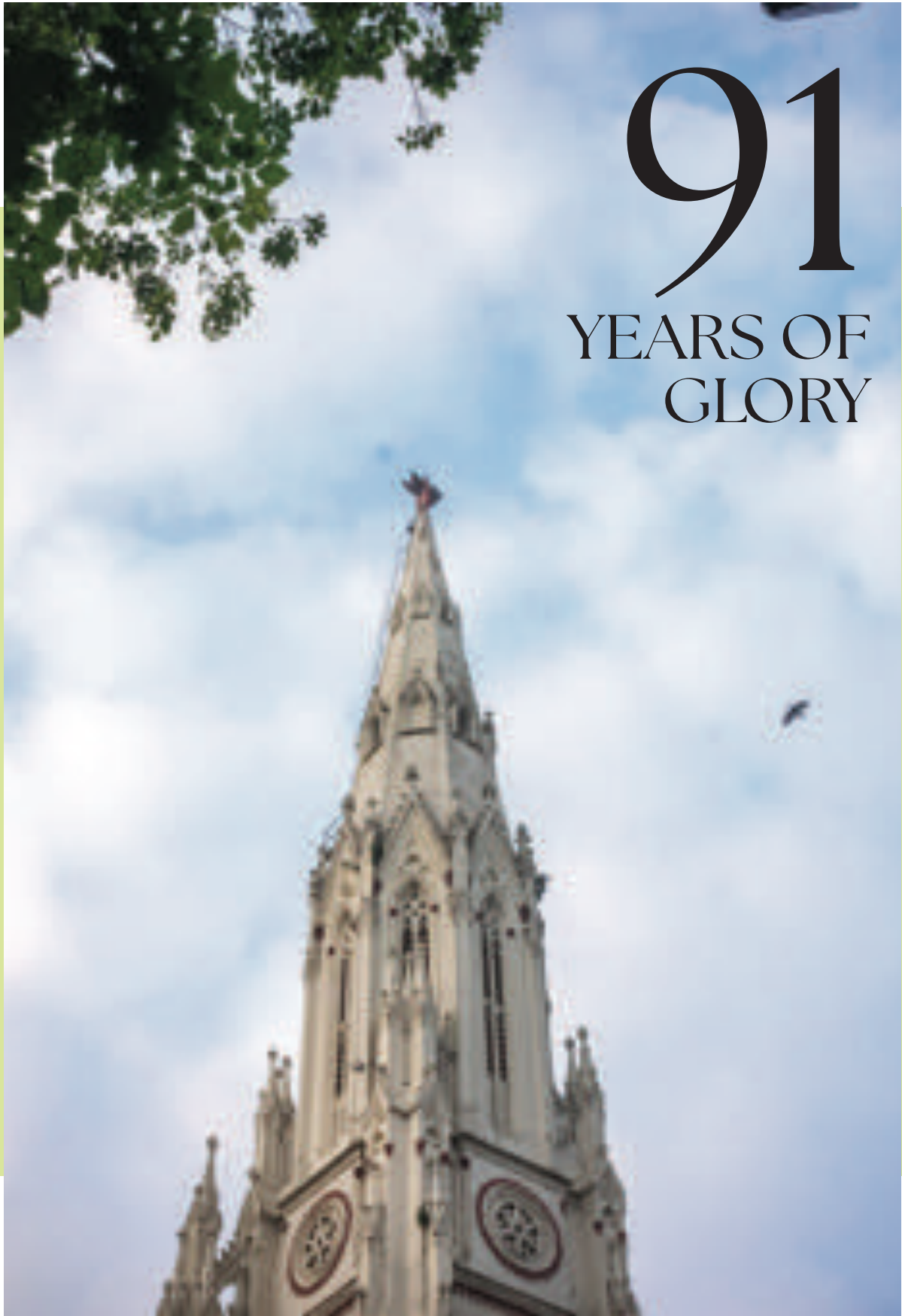
3.12.2022 - Feast of St. Francis Xavier: Eucharist Celebrations.

5.12.2022-7.12.2022 - Faculty Development Programme on Pedagogy: The Art of Teaching in Higher Educational Institutions for the Junior Teaching Staff (Shift I & II)

7.12.2022 - Internationalisation of Education hosted by Seattle University, USA & Loyola Institutions.

94th Graduation Day - December 10, 2022

12.12.2022-13.12.2022 - International Conference on "New Normal Covid-19 and the Ethical Issues Related to Public Health and Education" - December 12 & 13, 2022 was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE)



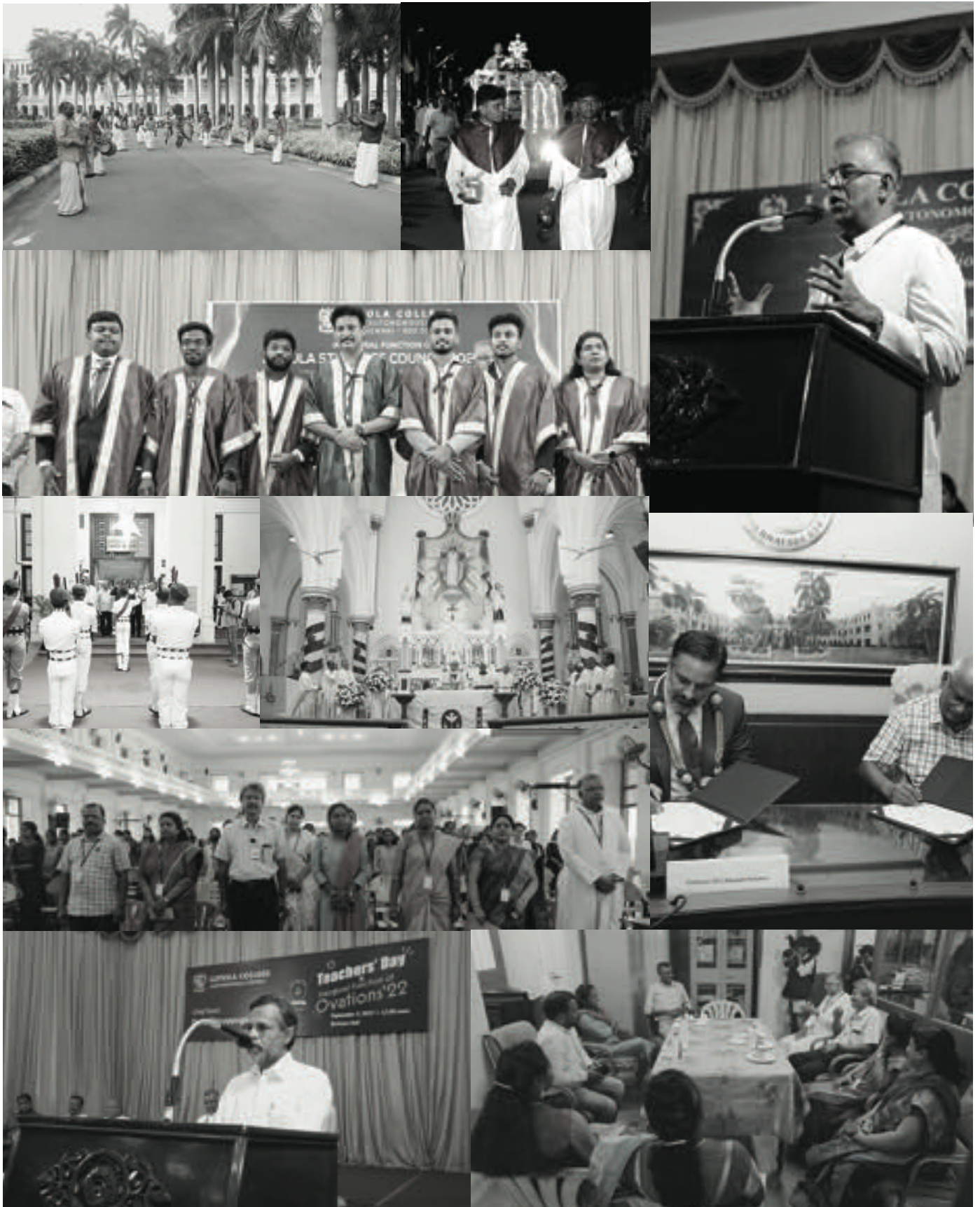
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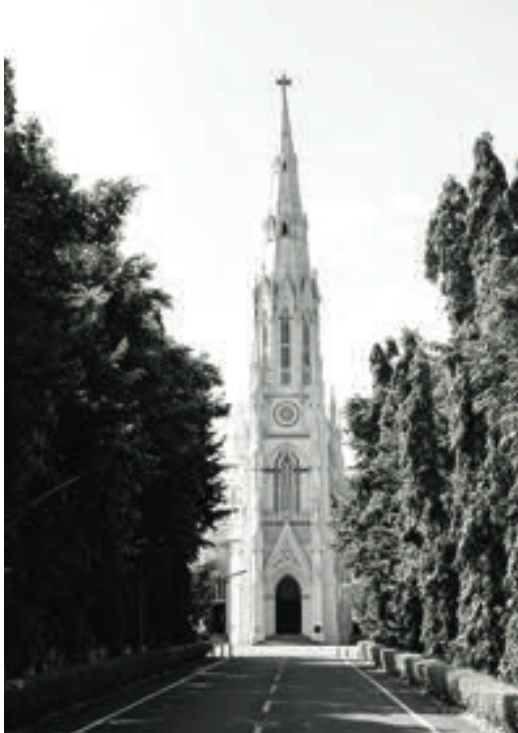
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