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# Rector's Message



## MOMENT OF TRUST AND HOPE

Dear Staff (teaching, non-teaching, technical, professional, administrative and supportive):

The ancestors of Jesus were eagerly and anxiously waiting for a Messiah to liberate them from the bondage of slavery and oppression of alien powers. Jesus came in amidst them

unnoticed – only the illiterate and the highly learned believed Him: the shepherds who could believe the glad tidings of an angel; and the astrologers (the magi) who could read the signs of stars.

As academics, we are forming the youth. The parents repose trust and confidence as they have invested their entire hope in them. It is up to us to form and mould them as messiahs of peace and harmony in the world of tomorrow.

The VC of Pondicherry University in his address to the graduates (17 Nov 2019) underlined, among other guiding principles, two things: Loyola enshrines the presence of the divine – one could feel it, he said; the second, he urged the graduates to respect their parents. He also added that one could feel the presence of God but one cannot see God (face to face) and that is why, God has created parents. Precisely we are nurturing values in our students in the place of God. The parents bring forth their children but we form them as citizens of the globe.

In 1223, Francis of Assisi imagined and recreated the scene of Jesus born in a manger among the cattle. The Christians make the crib in their homes, institutions, and places of worship. In fact, our institutions are such cribs where we make the future of our humankind to be born in order to serve the needy and those who seek for peace and harmony.

The Jesuit Management is ever grateful to each one of you for your wonderful services of collaboration in forming our students. All through the year of 2019, you have been walking with the Jesuit Management along the path of education and let us continue our journey with our students in the coming year of 2020.

Wish you all a happy Christmas and a joyful and successful New Year 2020.

**Rev Dr Francis P. Xavier SJ**  
Rector, Loyola Campus

# Principal's Message



## THE GIFT OF CHRISTMAS

Christmas is around the corner and it is with great joy that I greet the entire Loyola Fraternity on this occasion. We have successfully completed one semester and I thank each one of you for your earnest collaboration and support you have rendered to this institution in various capacities.

“Whatever is good and perfect is a gift coming down to us from God our Father, who created all the lights in the heavens.” (James 1:17) This Christmas, let us reaffirm the incredible truth that we have the greatest gift in Jesus, who left behind the glory of Heaven to come to Earth in order to deliver us from our sins and bestow upon us light and life. In this season, as we celebrate with our family and friends, may our hearts reverberate with the gifts God has endowed us with – the gifts of love, peace, trust and understanding.

We are also at the dawn of a New Year and as an institution, we hope that this year brings us more laurels and accolades. May the New Year bring you all happiness, peace and prosperity.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2020!

**Rev Dr A. Thomas SJ**  
Principal, Loyola College



# Deans'

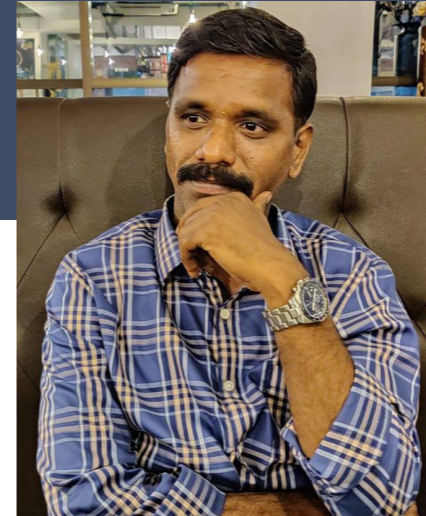


**Prof J. Maria Roy Felix**  
Dean of Students (Shift - I)

Loyola College focuses on the holistic formation of an individual. The extracurricular activities play a pivotal role in the formation. The Dean of Students office paves way for exhibiting the talents of the students. The co-curricular programs organized by the office help them to explore and showcase the skills and to mold them to become socio-conscious responsible citizens of our country. To summarize the Dean of Students office nourish our students to become men and women for others.

The season of advent emphasizes the joy of sharing and thanks giving which iterates the true meaning of Christmas. Let's all come together as one family, rejoice and welcome Christ into our souls. A joyful and meaningful wish to all on the birth of Christ our savior in our home and in our hearts.

# Message



**Dr S. Prasanna Kumar**  
Dean of Students (Shift - II)

Students of this millennium enter into the portal of learning with a great enthusiasm and with great expectations to get their skills honed and toned both academically and non-academically. It is with this great responsibility that the Dean of Students Office works with great zeal and shoulders the same along with the Loyola Students' Union. The goal of the office is to plan, organize and coordinate various platforms for shaping the skill set of the student community of Loyola College which makes them to become "Men and Women for and with others". The young intellects of the GEN "Z" having the potentiality to move towards "Magis", will be trained on various skills like music, dance, theatre, extempore, etc. The student community will be enlightened with the principles and the ethos of our college through sensitizing and awareness programmes which suffice the underlying principle "Cura Personalis - care for the entire person". The directions of the student community will be focused through the theme pronounced by Rev. Fr. Rector every year. The chosen theme for the academic year 2019-2020 is "Harmony". The joy of spreading harmony envisages in the young minds through our future activities like Christmas celebrations, Pongal celebrations, Republic day celebrations and so on. I take the pleasure in conveying my heartfelt Christmas wishes to each and every student of this college and a very joyful and prosperous New year.

May you come back with more zeal and good spirit to carry on your goals in the New Year 2020!



## The Chevaliers of Loyola

The Loyola Students' Union (LSU) promotes and develops the skills of all the students in the college through various cultural activities, awareness programs, and competitions. It constantly strives for the betterment towards humanity and for the holistic development of the student community. Throughout the academic year, LSU under the guidance of the Dean of Students Office organizes various inter-collegiate as well as intra-collegiate cultural competitions. LSU is also a part of the Academic Council Body and it represents the academic-related matters to the management. In this conversation, Philip Xavier (Vice-President LSU), Jaimeet Singh ( Additional Event Secretary, LSU), Keerthi Vasan R. ( Media Secretary, LSU) talks about LSU's initiatives, upcoming events and their triumph and struggles along the way.

### **What is the history of LSU? When and how it started?**

Loyola Students' Union started in the year 1949. We are currently the 70th Union in the history of Loyola.

### **How many student members were elected in this year for the Union? What are their roles and responsibilities?**

This year, there were five members elected for the Union. Selection of the President for the union goes in an alternate fashion, as the Management gives equal importance to both Shift I and Shift II students.

### **How do you ensure equal participation among different departments in Loyola Student's Union?**

We have about 25-30 departments in the college. Every department has its own cultural secretary and each of these cultural secretary's role is well defined in LSU. If there is a common festival or department festival coming up, information comes to us. We pass it on to the Deans. Once the Dean confirms it formally and officially with the letter from the cultural secretaries, we (LSU) act as intermediates. So we are the bridge between the Department's cultural secretaries and the Officials. So that's how we coordinate. And if there are any festival that LSU conducts, then we directly pass on the information in the group. So they are well-informed and act accordingly.

### **What is the strength of LSU 2019-2020?**

Unlike other universities and colleges, LSU is not monarchical, we have five leaders here. Two representatives from each shift and one representative for women students take part in this venture. Under each of these 5 leaders, we have nine posts which consists 50 members team. We have about 62 members including the Deans and external representatives.

### **What are the student welfare activities initiated by LSU?**

At the start of the year, we had RCDA (Resource Centre For Differently- Abled) cricket tournament. The tournament was conducted specially for the differently-abled students. We also have initiated programmes for the under-privileged students to help them through LSSS. We have conducted campaigns like Dengue awareness, Street play on Suicide- Prevention day and Violence against women. We also have conducted a Conference on 'The Engagement of Youth towards the Constitution'. We also are organizing inter-collegiate Para Sports on 16th December 2019 for the differently-abled students. The food, travel and all the expenses for the day for the participants will be borne by the LSU.

### **Could you please share how students can approach LSU with their problems and how do you help them overcome it?**

Students can meet anyone of us and share their problems.

Or they can use the Drop Box next to the Union Office.

We then take up the issue to the Dean of Students who further guide them with appropriate solutions with respect to their problems. For example, if a student is struggles with anxiety and he/she needs psychological support then they will be referred to the Loyola Counselling Centre and for financial support, they will be referred to the LSSS.

### **Loyola is known for its Systematic Administration. Does LSU have a system where students can easily address their problems/ needs in the future?**

This year we have an exclusive representative to work alongside Rev. Fr. Secretary. This means we are officially given an opportunity to work closely with the management which was not possible in previous years. We hope this will help the students immensely.

-We have a separate portal and we are working on a separate email exchange server for our office. We also have a chat-box system that will go live shortly.



### **As part of the Academic Council Body, what are the matters you've represented to the management?**

We approached the management for fee concessions, more parking space, hall-ticket related issues, etc. Some of the matters are resolved while others are under discussion.

### **Could you please share a success story that LSU represented and management made the changes for the college?**

We met Rev. Fr. Principal to discuss the recent parking issues. We talked about having a bigger parking space inside the campus so that students do not have to park their vehicles outside the campus. Father Principal has agreed to revamp the parking space and increase its size during the holidays.

### **LSU has conducted a lot of awareness campaigns, how do you decide which campaign to work on?**

Each and every campaign is based on the need of the hour. For example, Dengue fever was everywhere in the city so we did a Dengue Virus Awareness Campaign





inside the college campus. We had RCDA Volleyball and revamped it into Para Sports. So whatever is needed and relevant at that time, month or year, we choose to work on it. Otherwise, it won't be useful for the students and it would be a waste of time for everyone.

**What strategies do you adopt to guarantee maximum participation and presence of the students in events like Oventions?**

We inform each and every department about the upcoming events ahead of time. To ensure more girls' participation in the competitions as we introduce attractive creative events like Rangoli competition, Dance, Sherlock Homes, Doodle, Carrom, etc.

**What are the struggles you've faced while conducting the cultural activities / campaigns/initiatives taken up by LSU?**

We always try to strike a balance between the students and management. Bringing in the perfect solution that meets the students' demands and management's requirements has proved to be the biggest struggle.

**What are the achievements of LSU (2019-2020) in the last six months?**

This year Oventions was completely funded by sponsors, and that is a big success whereas the last four Oventions were financed by the college. So far, LSU was only associated with cultural activities in the college. We have changed that and brought in many new events that will benefit the forthcoming academic years and future leaders of LSU and their reputation.

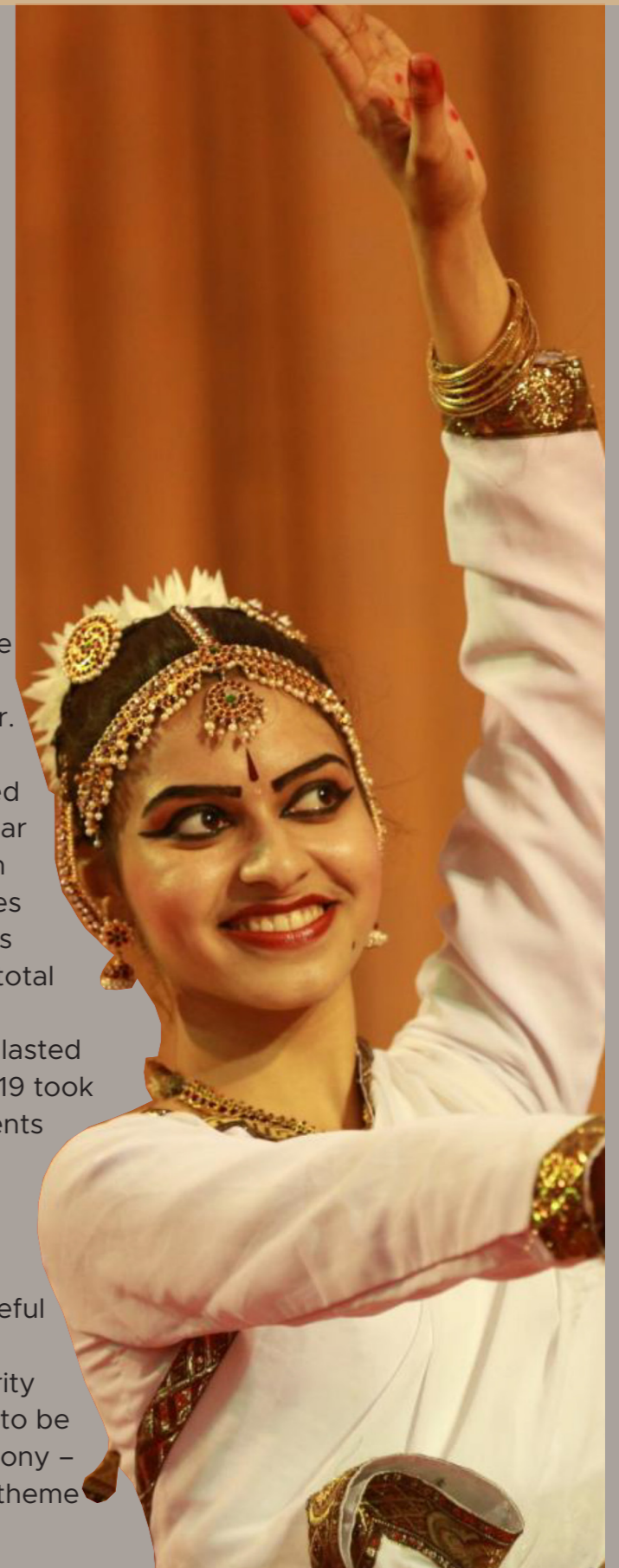
**What are the future plans and strategies devised to enhance the initiatives taken up by LSU?**

As I said earlier, the cultural activities have been reduced and we have brought in more sports events, social awareness campaigns, and other activities benefit for the society and nation. And we are determined to continue to engage students with activities that promote holistic development.

# OVENTIONS

In the iconic song Mustafa from the film Kadhal Desam (1996), which is deemed to be an all-time popular friendship anthem, there is a visual about a cultural festival in Chennai. Down Sterling – named after Loyola's then-most popular rock band, was a cultural extravaganza attended by college students in the 1980s and the beginning of the 90s. However, unprecedented events led to Down Sterling becoming a ground for violence. Therefore, this festival was withdrawn in 1992 much to the dismay of the youngsters of those days. In its place, Loyola College brought into existence an inter-departmental cultural event; a cultural fiesta organized by the Students' Union with support from the College Management – Oventions. Started in the year 1992, Oventions enters its 28th edition this year.

One of the major tasks executed by the Loyola Students' Union (LSU) every year is organizing Oventions. Jointly associated with the Dean of Students Office, Oventions provides a platform to Loyolites of various departments to display their talents and skills. This year, a total of 22 off-stage and 8 main stage events took place during this cultural extravaganza which lasted a fortnight. The curtain-raiser for Oventions 2019 took place on the 5th September 2019 and the events culminated with a two-day grand finale which was attended by a host of celebrities on the 20th and 21st of September 2019. Loyola College aims at creating socially-responsible citizens and therefore it is vital to foster peaceful and harmonious relationships between all communities. "Euphony is the result of solidarity of Instruments" – this is the saying which has to be instigated in young minds. "Solidarity of Euphony – Harmony among the society" was hence the theme chosen for Oventions 2019.





During this fortnight of events, students of all Departments participated enthusiastically in various competition. A spirit of team-work and leadership was imbibed in the minds of the students as they put their best foot forward to showcase their skills and talents. The grand finale was attended by a host of celebrities from the cinema industry and were well-received by the audience. The Department of Statistics emerged as the overall champions.



## EVENTS ORGANIZED BY LSU

31st July is celebrated as the Feast of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, the founder of the Jesuit Order. In commemoration of the Feast day, the Loyola Students' Union conducted a series of competitions in collaboration with RCDA (Resource Centre for Differently Abled) for the differently abled students of the college. The event commenced with a prayer service presided by Rev. Dr. A.Thomas S.J. the Principal and Rev. Dr D. Selvanayakam S.J. Secretary, Loyola College. The event included various competitions for the differently abled students like Cricket, Music, Debate, Singing and Art competitions that promoted the students to overcome their inhibitions and exhibit their talents in their desired fields. The event was a grand success as it motivated the differently abled students of the college to explore wider horizons.

## Founder's Day - Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola



## 70<sup>th</sup> Republic Day Celebration



To mark and express our respect and reverence towards the Indian Constitution, the 70th Republic Day Celebration was hosted in the college by the Loyola Students' Union members. The retiring staff Ms. E. I. Roseline, Superintendent and Dr. A. Daniel, Head, Department of Tamil received the Guard of Honour from the NCC. The tri- coloured flag was hoisted by Ms. I. Roseline and the republic Day message was given by Dr. A. Daniel. He addressed that this year we all should take time to observe the occasion by spreading joy, peace and patriotism amongst friends and family. He also added that we should always be proud that we are Indians because of the privileges that we receive from this great nation.

## Renaissance - Puthu Yugam

An inter-collegiate art and painting competition was organized by LSU on 20th February, 2019 in the old visual communication block with the ideology to create awareness on various social issues and to portray measures that can be taken to rejuvenate the livelihood of the people who were affected during the Gaja Cyclone. Participants from across the city participated and exhibited their artistic creative skills through colours that brushed their thoughts. The competition was adjudicated by artists Mr. S. Elayaraja, Ms. Rohini Mani and Mr. Subramaniam Ramakrishnan. The first, second and third prizes were bagged by the students of MOP Vaishnav College for Women





# Independence Day Celebration



As a citizen of India, we take pride in celebrating the days that are significant to the history of India. One such important day is Independence Day, a day to commemorate India's freedom from the colonizers and to show reverence to all the freedom fighters of our nation. It is a custom observed in our college that the Loyola Students' Union organizes this historical event. The 73rd Independence Day celebration was held at the Jubilee Quadrangle in Loyola College on the 15th of August 2019. Dr. Chinnappan, Head of the Department of Visual communication, Multimedia & Media arts, Loyola College hoisted the national flag on that auspicious day. Dr. D. Louis Joseph Chandra, Associate Professor of the Department of English, Loyola College delivered the Independence Day speech.

## Auditions for Video Jockey, Radio Jockey, Loyola Music Team and Dance Team

The Loyola Students' Union conducted auditions for the students aspiring to become VJ and RJ and exhibit their skills in engaging, entertaining and presenting. LSU creates a platform to such talents to explore all the areas that they are strong in and to strengthen themselves in their field of interests. Auditions for the Loyola music team and dance team were also conducted and talented students from different departments participated and staged their musical and dancing abilities



LSU is very proud to host the event Senthamizh Sangamam, a state level Inter-Collegiate Tamil Literary Fest in collaboration with the Loyola Tamil Debating Society to accelerate the interest of the students of Loyola towards Tamil Literature. The main objective of this event is to encourage and motivate the students who have the ardent love towards Tamil Literature and Language. Three competitions were conducted for testing the literary talents and abilities of the students namely Tamil Elocution Competition, Tamil Essay Writing Competition and Tamil Poetry Writing Competition. Around 160 participants took part in various competitions. All the competitions were judged by a team of tamil proficient from Kaviyodai. Mr. Rajmohan, Managing Director, Putchutney, Youtube Channel presided as the chief guest and enlightened the students on 'Right to Speak'. He also distributed the Cash Prizes (Rs. 6000 for each competition) to all the winners of the events with certificates.

# Senthamizh Sangamam



**SENTHAMIZH SANGAMAM**

## Voter's Awareness Campaign



**VOTERS AWARENESS CAMPAIGN**

The Loyola Students' Union members involved the services of the alumni to create and spread awareness on 'Right to Vote' through a campaign. Posters and placards were made with slogans encouraging the public to cast their votes wilfully and diligently. On the 19th and 20th January, 2019 the students conducted the campaign during the Veedhi Virudhu Vizha and also took part in the procession on the 20th January, 2019.

## Leadership Development Program for the Members of LSU and the Class Representatives



**LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR THE MEMBERS OF LSU AND CLASS REPRESENTATIVES**

A Leadership Development Program was conducted for the members of the Loyola Students' Union and for all the Class representatives of various departments of the college. The Squadron leader Mr. Unni Nair was the speaker for the day and he addressed the students about the various aspects of being a leader and how a team should work. The event was conducted on the 22nd of July from 9.00 AM to 4.00 PM. Mr. Nair spoke to the students about the spirit of team work and how to be a good leader. There were several activities conducted for all the Class representatives and the Members of Students Union to emphasize the importance of the team work. The program received positive feedback from the attendees.

In order to encourage the student community and make them employable, a Job Fair was organized by the Loyola Students' Union on March 6, 2019 in Bertram Hall. This Job Fair was organized in collaboration with V3 Enterprises and Care & Welfare Organization. An online aptitude test was conducted on the 5th March, 2019 for recruiting companies such as HTC Global Services, Cameo Global, Novel, BOSCH, ICICI Bank, Kotak Mahindra Bank and Hinduja Global Solutions. This Job Fair witnessed an overwhelming response as more than 300 students took the test in Quinn Hall. On 6th March, 2019 the job fair started at 10.00 a.m. in Bertram Hall with 25 reputed companies. The main objective of this Fair was to enable the students with average academic performance to become employable. All the final year UG and PG students took part in this job fair with great zeal and confidence. Around 350 students took part in this job fair and 192 of them were shortlisted for the next round of interview. Approximately 85 students were given opportunity to take up jobs offered by the companies.

## Job Fair



**JOB FAIR**



## Dengue Awareness Programme



Dengue Awareness Programme was organized by the Loyola Students' Union (LSU) on November 27th 2019. More than 500 students volunteered for this programme from both Shift I and II. "Nilavembu Kashayam" was provided for all the students and faculty members of the College. In connection with this event, the LSU conducted a big 'Awareness Rally' for spreading the preventive methods against the Dengue fever. A street play was performed by the LSSS that endeavored the students to participate more in the Rally.

## Suicide Awareness Programme

The growing number of suicides and attempts to suicide, drug abuse and mental stress among the students envisaged an idea among the Loyola Students' Union members to create awareness and to lend a helping hand to the needy students of our college. The main theme was to help the students to come out of the depression and mental stress. A street play was organized by the Student Welfare Team of Loyola Students' Union highlighted the importance of being together and insisted that the college always gives a helping hand to all the students in need through the Dean of Students Office, Loyola Counselling Centre and Loyola Student Support Services.



## Para-Sports

For the first time in the history of Loyola College, a special event Para-Sports was conducted for the Differently Abled Students by the Loyola Student Union. Sporting events for the visually challenged took place under the supervision of the Physical Director and other Union members. A total of 10 events, including 800 Meter Sprint for Men, 100 Meter Sprint for Women, Carrom, were conducted for the participants. Volleyball was conducted exclusively for the Visually Challenged Students. Students from 10 colleges across Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry participated in these events. The winners were awarded with cash prizes by Loyola College. This event was graced by Mr. Vijaya Sarathy, International Para-Wheel Chair Champion, who also presided over the valedictory function.



## Conference on Constitutionalism among Youth in Contemporary India

Loyola students' Union organized a Conference on 'Constitutionalism among Youth in Contemporary India' on December 9, 2019 at Lawrence Sundaram Hall. The Conference went on for the whole day that included Five Sessions. 10 flamboyant speakers joined in this Conference and shared their expertise on the proposed topics. Nearly 300 Loyolites and more than 50 students from other colleges were participated. All the speakers felt honored in joining such a conference of National relevance.



## Prevention of Drug Abuse

Loyola Students' Union organized an online competition to promote awareness among the students on 25th February, 2019 on "Substance Addiction". Online photography and creative contests were organized. The students were encouraged to post the Photographs and Memes that they prepared in the Instagram page of Loyola Students' Union. The works of students were judged by the expert panel based on the theme, quality and the number of likes they received. The winners were awarded during the Union Valedictory Function held on March 8, 2019.



## Club Orientation Programme

As part of the extra-curricular and co-curricular extension program, all the second year UG students were oriented about the various clubs functioning in the college to promote their skills and talents. To orient the second year UG students of both shift 1 and 2, the Orientation Programme for this year was held in the Bertram Hall in their respective timing. The faculty advisors of various clubs emphasized and highlighted the significance of their club. At the end of the orientation program, online registration was opened for the students to enrol in a club of their choice.





## Pongal Celebration



### PONGAL CELEBRATION



The Dean of Students office jointly organized the Pongal Festival in a traditional manner in the college Campus with the help of the Department of History and the Ministry of Tourism. Competitions like poetry, elocution contests, traditional competitions like Kolam and pot breaking were organized with relevance to the theme of the day "Mann, Makkal and Panpadu". More than 25 foreign tourists visited the Pongal celebrations and the function was presided over by Mr. Va. Gowthaman, Film Director. All the departments were encouraged to cook Sweet Pongal during the celebrations using Pongal Kit distributed by the Dean of Students Office. Bullock Cart rides, streets adorned with colourful Kolam, bull from Pulikulam brought the feel of living in a village. At the traditional ceremony, all the winners were awarded with prizes by the chief guest and the program ended with dance by the folk dancers of the college.

## RCDA Cricket Match, Music, Debate

Loyola has always held the lime light for facilitating the education and holistic development of the differently abled. LSU for the first time in Loyola brought forth the idea of fest for these brothers and sisters. It was the first event LSU had planned to implement in the campus. Different events were held in relation to RCDA but this initiative was encouraged by many stake-holders of the campus. The event was presided by college authorities.



# Loyola Students' Union Elections (2019-20)

## ELECTION REPORT

The election in Loyola is an event marked by festivities and celebrations. The process and model code of conduct followed for Union elections are no less than the country's election. The college with the aegis of Management of Loyola College and members of the Loyola Jesuit Community conducted the Loyola Students Union (LSU) election for the academic year 2019-20 on 21st June 2019. The LSU Election (2019-20) is conducted to elect candidates to hold the position of President & Joint Secretary (from Shift II) & Vice-President & General Secretary from Shift I and Associate Secretary. The post of Associate Secretary is reserved for women candidates



## ELECTION REPORT



and are voted by women students only. For the smooth conduct of the election, the management set up an Election Commission headed by Dr. P.Sagayaraj, Department of Physics, as the Chief



Election Commissioner, Prof. Chithra Regis, and Dr. P. Sushma Rajan as the Deputy Election Officer. Under the supervision of the Dean of Students, eleven different committees were established to assist and carry out various tasks during the election process.

The election process started on 18th June 2019 with Rev. Dr. A. Thomas SJ, Principal introducing the chief election officer to the officials of the college and interested candidates in a meeting. The chief election officer then addressed the gathering with the procedures, rules, and regulations governing the election. The model code of conduct was implemented soon after the meeting. With that, the Loyola election fiesta came into force. The campus was lit up with sizzling excitement and great enthusiasm as students file for their nominations.

The Election notification was published on 19th June 2019 for both Shifts I & II. The nominations were scrutinized by the Election Commission and the final list of candidates was released on the same day.



## CAMPUS COGNIZANCE

### AUGUST

- 1: An Interactive Session with the 'AADAI' movie team was organized by the Department of Visual Communication, BMM Animation and Media Arts.
- 1 to 8: Loyola & LICET students participated in PBL Program in Japan.
- 3: Training Program on Academic Mentoring was conducted.
- 3 & 4: Disaster Management Exhibition (2019-20) was held.
- 4: Loyola Alumni Day was celebrated.
- 5: The Academic mentoring session - I was held
- 7: ISO 9001: 2015 Certificate Handing Over Function for the Outstanding Research Contribution at ERI was organized by Entomology Research Institute (ERI)
- 7: Special Talk on "Sample to Manufacture of a Carbon Product - Case Study in Industrial R&D" was delivered by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 14: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on "Adsorption and hydrogenation of D-glucose over metal clusters: A DFT study" was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE)
- 15: 73rd Independence Day Celebrations was held. Inaugural Function of 87th Bertram Memorial Tournaments was organized.
- 15 to 31: 87th Bertram Memorial Tournaments was organized by Department of Physical Education.
- 16: A Discussion on "Data and Policy in Social Science Research" was organized by LISSTAR.
- 17 & 31: Two-day workshop on Reasoning with Numbers - a Simple Approach was conducted by Organized by LIMCOS.
- 19: Symphony Orientation programme was organized by Rotaract Club.
- 20: An FDP on "Microteaching" was organized for the Junior Faculty of Shift II & Management Faculty of Shift I.
- 20: Grand Cultural Extravaganza "INTAGLIO 2019" was organized by the Department of Commerce (Shift-2)
- 20: Springboard Leadership Programme (2nd Session) for Quality Circle Members was organized by IQAC.
- 21: LIMCOS Special Lecture Series: Interdisciplinary Research Projects and Inaugural Lecture was delivered.
- 21: One-day National Seminar on "Innovations in Solid Waste and Wastewater Management in Educational Institutions" was organized by Entomology Research Institute (ERI).
- 21: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on "Isolation and Characterization of phytoconstituents from unripe fruit peel of Persiana americana (Avocado fruit) having Mosquito Larvicidal activity against three Vector Mosquitoes" was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 22: Open Forum for Students was organized by IQAC.
- 24: Project Development on IOT for MSc Computer Science Students was organized by the Department of Computer Science.
- 24: Parent - Teacher Meeting was held.
- 25: Job Fair for the Differently Abled was organized by "We are your Voice" in association with Loyola College.
- 26: Rev. Dr. L. M. Yeddanapalli SJ Endowment Lecture was organized by the Department of Chemistry.
- 27: Inauguration of FAX followed by Book reading session was organized by the Forum for Academic Excellence (FAX), Department of English.
- 27: A Session on "Cybercrimes and Social Media" was organized by the Forum for Loyola Women Students (FLOWS).
- 28: Group Photo Session for Final Year Students was held.
- 28: Dr. V. A. Murthy & Dr. V. Mohan Endowment Lecture was organized by the Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology.
- 28: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on "Impact of Aspect Ratio on Titanium Dioxide Nanorods for Solar Cell Applications" was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 9: Prime Minister Narendra Modi launches 'Fit India Movement'.
- 29: Interactive session with Mr. Chezhan, Director of 'TO LET' was organized by the Department of Visual Communication.
- 30: Gingee Exposure Trip was organized by Department of History.
- 30: NEXUS 43rd Installation Ceremony was organized by Rotaract Club.
- 30: A discussion on "Language Matters in Re-



- search” was organized by LISSTAR.
- 30: Kovil - Stage Drama was presented by the Department of Visual Communication.
- 31: Inauguration of Loyola Research Park (2019-20).

## SEPTEMBER

- 4: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “Production of a novel Biosurfactant from a halophilic bacterium Halomomas phoceae (MSJCR18) by RSM” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 5: Monthly Mass & Prayer Service was held.
- 5: Teachers’ Day Celebration & Inaugural Function of Ovarions ‘19 was celebrated. Rev. Fr. Rector’s delivered Teachers’ Day Message.
- 6: A Discussion on “Impact of Family on Overweight and Obesity among Urban Youth in Chennai” was organized by LISSTAR.
- 6 & 7: Faculty Development Programme on “MOOCs Blended Teaching & Learning” was organized by Loyola College.
- 7: One-Day Workshop on Data Analytics through R Programming organized by LIMCOS in collaboration with Department of Data Science.
- 13: A Discussion on “Socio Economic Condition of Beedi Workers in Eastern States of India” was organized by the LISSTAR.
- 13 & 14: An Inter-Faculty Student Seminar Quest 1.0 on ANDROID Z was organized by Sacred Heart College, Satya Nilayam, Dept. of Philosophy, Loyola College, Chennai & JDV, Pune
- 13 & 14: The U.S. - India Comparative Constitutional Law Debate - Final Event was organized by U.S. Consulate General, Chennai & Loyola College, Chennai.
- 17: Orientation on NET/SET was organized by the Department of English.
- 17: VANGMAYA – 2019 (Hindi Day & Sanskrit Day Celebrations) was organized by the Department of Oriental Languages.
- 18: Inauguration of Enviro Club (2019-2020) was organized by the Enviro Club.
- 20 & 21: Grande Finale of Ovarions ‘19 was held.
- 22: Child Fest 2019 was organized by the Department of Social Work.
- 23, 25 & 27: MATH-QUIZ  $\alpha$  (An Intra Class Quiz Competition for First year B. Sc. Mathematics Students) was conducted by the Loyola Mathematics Association (Shift - II), Department of Mathematics.

- 23 & 24: A Guest Lecture on “Foundations of Mathematics and Basic Algebra” was organized by the Loyola Mathematics Association (Shift – II), Department of Mathematics.
- 23 to 25: Flood Relief Camp 2019 was organized by the Department of Service Learning & Social Work.
- 25: A Book Reading session on Selfie of Success was organized by the Department of English & India Matters Foundation.
- 26: Guest Lecture Series on Medical Laboratory Technology Lecture 1 - “Future Perspectives for Lab Technologists” was organized by M.Sc Medical Laboratory Technology.
- 27: World Tourism Day Organized by Department of History in collaboration with Ministry of Tourism, Govt. of India.
- 27: Guest Lecture on “Dearth for Economic Graduates and Viable Prospects” was Organized by the Loyola Economics Association for Development (LEAD)
- Department of Economics.
- 27: A discussion on “Trans-disciplinary Research and Development: A Necessity in 21st Century Higher Education Institutions” was conducted by Organized by LISSTAR.
- 27 & 28: National Level Workshop on “Machine Learning & Deep Learning with Python” was organized by the Department of Computer Science.
- 28: Training Programme for Life Science Faculty: Departments of Chemistry, Biotechnology, Food Chemistry & Food Processing and Medical Lab Technology on Clinical and Biotechnological Approach in Food Processing was organized.
- 28: Child Fest 2K19 “Celebrating Childhood” was organized by the Department of Social Work (Shift II).
- 28: Content Writing Workshop was conducted by Organized by Department of English (Shift II).
- 28: Corpus Christi Procession was held.
- 30: Demonstration Seminar on “High Performance Liquid Chromatography” was Organized by Department of Chemistry.
- 30: Loyola Viscom Media Con ‘19 was organized by the Department of Visual Communication.

## OCTOBER

- 1: Loyola Viscom Media Con ‘19 was organized by the Department of Visual Communication.
- 1: Symposium on “History of Tamil Print Culture” organized by Sahitya Akasemi & Department of Tamil.
- 3: The second session of Academic Mentoring was held.
- 3: Special Lecture on Preparing for the Job Market in the Age of Automation was organized by the Department of Sociology.
- 3: A Seminar on “Climate Change” was organized by the Enviro Club.
- 3: A Session on “Women’s Health” was organized by Forum for Loyola Women Students (FLOWS).
- 3: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “Extraction and the potential applications of a lipopeptide biosurfactant from Bacillus subtilis VRJCR18 (MH732934)” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 4: Monthly Mass & Prayer Service was held.
- 4: National-Level Workshop on “Initiation into Journalistic Writing & AD Writing” was organized by Department of English (Shift II).
- 4: A discussion on “Muslim Legislators of Tamil Nadu in Empowering the Marginalized” was organized by LISSTAR.
- 4: Lecture on “Health & Hygiene” & Poster demonstration on “Cleanliness” was Organized by Loyola NCC Navy and Army.
- 5: A One-Day Hands-on Workshop on Data Visualization through Tableau was organized by Computer Society of India - Chennai Chapter in association with the Department of Data Science.
- 5: Training program on “Soil friendly & Profitable vermicompost” was organized by Enactus Club of Loyola – SIFE.
- 10: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “Extraction, Isolation and Characterization of Bioactive Compound from Guazuma Ulmifolia Fruit” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 16: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “Effect of Silver Nano Particles Synthesized Using Mole Crab on Different Animal Tissues” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 18: Life enriching program on “Social Emotional Intelligence” was organized by Loyola College
- 20: Planting of Palm Seeds in Korattur Lake was organized by Enactus Loyola – Sife.
- 21: General Staff Meeting was held.
- 22: State Level Seminar on “Creative Solutions

- for Environmental Problems” was organized by Entomology Research Institute (ERI).
- 29 October to 9 November: Semester Examinations.

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- 12: A Special Seminar on ‘Creative solutions for Ecological crisis’ was organized by Entomology Research Institute (ERI).
- 13: Inauguration of FM Radio club & One Day Workshop was Organized by Loyola FM Radio.
- 13: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “A Study on the Phytochemical Efficiency of Tarlmounia Elliptica and its Anti-Biofilm Activity” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 15: Special Lecture on “Increasing Inequality and its Impact on the Excluded” was organized by LISSTAR.
- 15: A Session on Entrepreneur’s Story was organized by Loyola Institution’s Innovation Council (LIIC).
- 16: One-day Life Orientation Programme was organized by Campus Ministry.
- 16: One-day Seminar on “Data from the Sky” was organized by Loyola-Racine Research Institute of Mathematics and Computing Science (LIMCOS).
- 17: PU-LCS Twinning Programme 17th Graduation Day.
- 18: Interactive session with Film Director Vetrimaran & ‘Asuran’ Team was jointly Organized by Loyola Viscom Association, Loyola Institute of Vocational Education (LIVE) & Loyola Kaushal Kendra (LKK).
- 18 to 22: Special Lecture Series on “Qualitative Analysis” was organized by Loyola-Racine Research Institute of Mathematics and Computing Science (LIMCOS).
- 19: Orientation on NET/SET was organized by the Department of English.
- 19: “Balloon” - A stage drama was organized by Department of Visual Communication.
- 19: Special Lecture on “Veeramamunivar vaazhvum paniyum” was organized by Veeramamunivar Literary Association, Department of Tamil (Shift II).
- 20: A “Career - guidance” programme on “Civil Service Exams” was organized by Loyola Commerce Forum, Department of Commerce

- (Shift II).
- 20 to 22: Photo Exhibition and Special Lectures Series on Keeladi Excavations Organized by the Department of History in collaboration with Department of Archaeology, Govt of Tamil Nadu.
- 21: Loyola International Students Meet was organized by Foreign Students Desk, Loyola College Campus.
- 21: Guest Lecture on “Leading with Emotional Intelligence” was organized by Department of Business Administration.
- 21: Workshop on “Lean Canvas & Student Entrepreneurship Development” was Organized by Loyola Institutions Innovation Council.
- 22: Monthly Mass & Prayer Service was held.
- 22: Social Science Research Forum (SSRF) in collaboration with LISSTAR called for a discussion on “Entrepreneurial Attitude and Stress Coping Skills of Women Entrepreneurs in Chennai Slums”
- 23: One day Workshop (Radio Programs) was organized by Loyola FM Radio Club.
- 26: The Tale of an Anklet - A Play in French based on the Tamil Epic ‘Silappadikaram’ was organized by the Department of Foreign Languages.
- 26: Constitution Day: A Panel Discussion was organized by LISSTAR & International Justice Mission (IJM).
- 27: Loyola Award 2018 was held.
- 27: Workshop on “How to Write Impressive Features” was organized by DDU KAUSHAL Kendra.
- 27: Loyola Tamil Debate & Quiz Club (Shift 1) Meeting was held to Elect Office Bearers.
- 27: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “Effective Bio strategies of Natural Biomolecules” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 27: Rally & Street Play on “Dengue Awareness & Prevention Campaign” {Shift I & Shift II} was organized by Loyola Students Union.
- 28: Workshop on “Advanced Compositing” was organized by DDU Kaushal Kendra.
- 29: A Workshop on “Design & Critical Thinking” was organized by Loyola Institutions Innovation Council.
- 29: Social Science Research Forum (SSRF) conducted A Discussion on “Dalit Feminism, Anti-Caste Politics, Political Identities” was organized by LISSTAR.
- 29: A Training Programme on “Project

Development” was organized by Department of Computer Science & Department of Data Science.

- 30: A Session on “Legal Rights of Women” was organized by Forum for Loyola Women Students (FLOWS).
- 30: A one-day hands-on workshop to secure computational devices with security measures was organized by Computer Society of India - Chennai Chapter in association with Department of Data Science.

## DECEMBER

- 1: Planting of Palm Seeds in Avadi Lake was organized by Enactus Loyola - SIFE (Shift - II).
- 3: Monthly Mass & Prayer Service was held.
- 3: National Level Seminar on “Anti-Radiation Awareness and Protection - Say No to Mobile Radiation” was organized by the Center for Medical and Environmental Sciences, Department of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology & Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 3: A Special Lecture on “Materials for Hybrid Supercapacitors” was organized by the Loyola Physics Association (LPA), Department of Physics.
- 3: International Seminar on “Designing Intelligent Machine Condition Monitoring Systems using ANN” was organized by the Forum for Information Technology (FIT), Department of Computer Science & Applications.
- 4: Seminar on “Emerging Technologies in Biomedical Engineering aiding Diagnostics development” was conducted by Loyola College Society, Chennai, India, Shibaura Institute of Technology (SIT), Tokyo, Japan & Nichi-In Centre for Regenerative Medicine (NCRM), Chennai, India.
- 4: A Seminar on “Intellectual Property Rights” was organized by Loyola Institutions Innovation Council.
- 5: Workshop on “Multimedia Skills for the Digital Era” was organized by DDU KAUSHAL Kendra.
- 5 & 6: DST-SERB Sponsored Research Facility Training on “Molecular Biology & Prospection Techniques” was organized by the Department of Plant Biology and Biotechnology.

- 5 to 7: A three-day Faculty Development Programme on SPSS & SEM was organized by Loyola Institute of Business Administration (LIBA).
- 5 to 11: A five-day Workshop on “Scriptwriting and Film Making” was organized by DDU KAUSHAL Kendra.
- 6: A Lecture on “Rights of Differently Abled” was organized by Centre for Study of Social Exclusion & Inclusive Policy in collaboration with the Department of Sociology.
- 6: International Workshop on “Astrophysics” was organized by Loyola Physics Association (LPA), Department of Physics.
- 6: Manavar Kavi Arangam was organized by Department of Tamil.
- 6 & 7: A two-day National Workshop on “New Technologies for 21st Century Teachers” was organized by Department of English in collaboration with English Language Teachers’ Association of India (ELTAI).
- 9: Conference on “Constitutionalism among Youth is Contemporary India” is organized by Loyola Students’ Union.
- 11: National Seminar on “Human Rights” was organized by Department of Sociology.
- 11: LIFE Weekly Seminar (2019-20) on “Gold Nanoparticles – Induced Apoptosis through Oxidative Stress and Sensitization of Mitochondrial Membrane in MCF-7 Breast Cancer Cells” was organized by Loyola Institute of Frontier Energy (LIFE).
- 11: Inaugural function of Loyola Debate Club – Tamil & Workshop.
- 12: Invited Lecture on “Marketing as a solution for sustainability issues in our food system? Trends & cases from across the globe” was organized by Department of Commerce (Shift-I).
- 13 & 14: Department Festivals
- 15: LIMCOS – One-day training programme was organized to “prepare write-ups for Tamil Wikipedia”.
- 16: Parliament 2020 – A workshop on Parliament Acts and Schemes was organized by Office of Media Relations.
- 16: Loyola Para Sports 2019, an inter-collegiate sports event was organized by Loyola Students’ Union in collaboration with Department of Physical Education & RCDA.
- 17: One-day workshop on “Welfare of the Transgender” was organized by Department of Sociology.







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