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**"Lord, teach me
to be generous;
Teach me to serve
you as you deserve."**

-St. Ignatius of Loyola

**Happy Feast Day of St. Ignatius of Loyola
31st July 2017**

FROM THE DESK OF

I am really pleased to know that WEPRO is coming out with Loyola College campus newsletters for the academic year 2017-18 on the occasion of the Feast of St. Ignatius. I wish you all on behalf of my colleagues, a Happy Feast of St. Ignatius.

In this day and age of social media, I believe such an endeavour will act as an important platform to help students to express themselves on relevant issues. And this only highlights the fact that Loyola always strives for *Magis*.

I once again express my best wishes to the WEPRO team headed by Dr. K.S. Antonysamy, the Director, for their unstinted work and wish them good luck in every way.

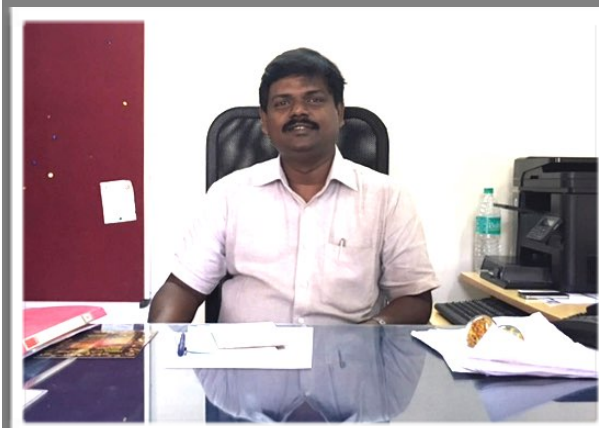
Growing in the Ignatian realm, we often try to realign our path to create a just and equitable society. This colossal process is highly influenced by the complexity of human life and by the trials and temptations of reality; it redefines our priorities and in-turn refines ones' identity and ethos.

Joining this Ignatian mission gives us the chance to reorient ourselves through deep self-awareness and understanding the need for social justice. Thus our universities and colleges play a vital role in providing the required space for the young minds to visualise and experiment their plans to address social inequalities.

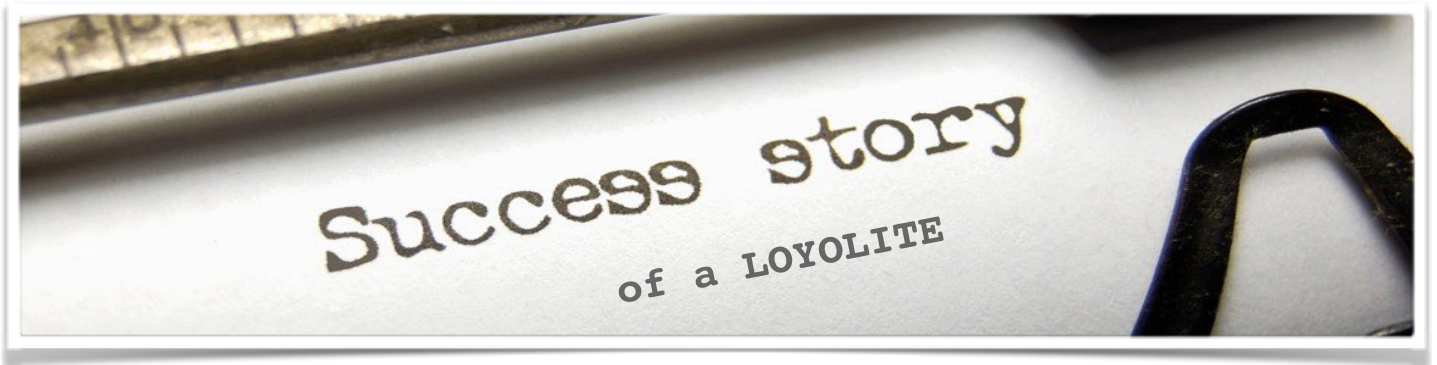
I hope that this initiative by the students' body would instil new life into the existing paradigm and generate new ideas, views and perspectives for the larger benefit of the society.



**DR. D. ROBERT SELVAM
VICE PRINCIPAL
SHIFT II**



**Prof. D. EDWARD SUDHAKAR
DEAN OF ARTS**



A four time National Film Award winner, a revolutionary screenwriter, producer and most noted director of Tamil Film industry, Mr. Vetrimaaran is a proud Loyolite. Coming from a very humble background he was nothing but resilient in all stages of life. He chose Loyola as his alma mater which marked the beginning of the era of Vetrimaaran. A student of English Literature, the stories of yester years must have fascinated him so much that he went on to pursue Masters in it.

As Loyola has been doing for decades, it nurtured the dreams and the vision of this young man and gave him a chance to explore it in the form of "Television Presentation" offered by the department of Visual Communication, which was the turning point of his career.

In 1999, he left the portals of Loyola to pursue his dream under the guidance of eminent directors such as Balu Mahendra and Kadhir. His first movie *Polladhavan* was a box office hit and most importantly it was a critically acclaimed work that led him to his first National Award.

Loyola is the academy of unique talents and talented crafters and Vetrimaaran was one such unique talent. His notable creations are *Kaakamuttai*, *Aadukalam* and *Visaranai* in which *Aadukalam* won a whopping total of six National Film Awards including Best director, screenplay and actor, *Kaakamuttai* bagged two National Awards with *Visaaranai* gaining three National Film Awards. *Visaaranai* is a bright jewel in his cap as it was Internationally acclaimed and was short listed for the Academy Awards.

Vetrimaaran's era is yet to continue and Loyola is indeed proud of her son.

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July



A
GLANCE
INTO
THE
WORLD
OF
LOYOLA

- College reopened for the Senior Students - 16th June 2017
- Hall Meeting to commemorate the World Refugee Day on the theme "With Refugees" - 20th June 2017 organised by the Dept. of Service Learning (Outreach) & LISSTAR
- International Yoga Day - 21st June 2017
- LISSTAR Discussion Forum on "Statelessness Among the Refugees" - 22nd June 2017
- Inter faith IFTAR Prayer & Meal - 23rd June 2017
- Inauguration of First Year Under Graduate classes - 28th June 2017
- LISSTAR Discussion Forum on "Condition of Women Construction Workers in the City of Chennai - A Sociological Perspective" - 29th June 2017
- Public Lecture on "Jesuit Sources (Jesuit History in South Asia in 19th - 20th Century)" - 7th July 2017 organised by Department of History in collaboration with LISSTAR
- Retreat for III Year UG Catholic Boys - 8th July 2017
- Inauguration of First Year Post Graduate classes - 10th July 2017
- LISSTAR Discussion Forum on "Forest Policy and Conservancy in the Nilgiris" - 13th July 2017
- Retreat for II Year UG Catholic Boys - 15th July 2017
- A Two Day Hands on Workshop on "Machine Learning with R and LaTeX for our Research Scholars" - 15th & 16th July 2017 organised by Loyola - Racine Research Institute of Mathematics and Computing Sciences (LIMCOS)
- UGC Expert Committee visited Loyola College on July 20 & 21, 2017 for extension of Autonomy
- Mass of the Holy Spirit was concelebrated on July 24, 2017

Accolades

In **India Today** Ranking (2017), Loyola College figures second in Science & Arts and fourth in Commerce at national level.

The Week has estimated Loyola College as number 02 in Commerce & Science and 03 in Arts at All India level ranking.



Beyond Excellence: Loyola extends its horizon in Higher Education.

According to the National Institutional Ranking Framework 2017, the Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India has awarded Loyola College, Chennai the second position among the higher educational institutions in India. About 3300 Higher Educational Institutions were chosen to participate in the ranking system. Out of 200 colleges, Loyola captured this position based on the scores obtained under various parameters like Teaching Learning Resources (TLR), Research And Professional Practices (RP), Graduation Outcome(GO), Outreach and Inclusivity (OI) and Public Perception(PP).

The college was awarded the highest point i.e. 100 out of 100 in the criteria pertaining to Research and Professional Practices (RP). The total number of publications for the last three calendar years were 305 in the science stream with 1673 citations and 525 Scopus with 2044 citations. The college achieved this merit because of its strong base for Teaching Learning & Resources (TLR). Periodical restructuring of curriculum, keeping the initial academic experiences of the college as the background, has taken the institution ahead and has met the expectation of market needs. Graduation Outcome (GO) is one area where Loyola has to focus in the days to come. It has taken concrete steps to realise the theme - 'Students Centrality' – earmarked for the academic year 2016-17.



Commemorating the World Refugee Day: WITH REFUGEES

Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Madras, Department of Political Science, Madras Christian College, Tambaram, Department of Service Learning (Outreach) and Loyola Institute of Social Science Training & Research (LISSTAR) organised a panel discussion on World Refugee Day, 20th June 2017 at 3.30 pm in LICET Engineering College, Chennai. Dr. Ramu Manivannan, Professor & Head, Department of Politics and Public Administration, University of Madras, Chennai and Mr. Sachithananda Valan, Associate Repatriation Officer, UNHCR, Chennai delivered the Refugee Day Address. 300 members attended the discussion.



Yoga Day Celebration

International Yoga Day was observed on 21st June 2017 in a grand manner. 400 NCC cadets from city colleges participated in the event organised by the Tamil Nadu NCC Directorate.



A Discussion on Statelessness Among the Refugees

Dr. Ashik J. Bonofer, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Madras Christian College, Chennai presented a lecture about “Statelessness Among the Refugees” on 22nd June 2017 at Loyola College and 32 participants attended the discussion.



LECTURE ON JESUIT SOURCES

A public lecture on JESUIT SOURCES (Jesuit History in South Asia in 19th-20th Century) was organised by the Department of History in collaboration with LISSTAR of Loyola College, Chennai on July 07, 2017. Fr. Robert Danieluk, Archivum and Romanum Societatis Iesu (ARSI), the Jesuit Curia in Rome was the speaker. 150 participants benefited from the programme.



Hands on Experience

A Two-Day Hands-on Workshop on “Machine Learning with R & LATEX” was organised on July 15 & 16, 2017 by Loyola-Racine Research Institute of Mathematics and Computing Sciences (LIMCOS). Dr. Prashant Singh Rana, Thapar University, Patiala, Punjab was the resource person. 63 participants attended the workshop from various Colleges and Universities in Chennai.



UGC Sponsored Special Lecture on “How Railways Shaped Everyday Life in Colonial India”

Department of History organised a UGC sponsored special lecture on July 19, 2017. Dr. Ritika Prasad, Associate Professor of History, University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC, USA spoke on “How Railways Shaped Everyday Life in Colonial India”. Dr. Ritika Prasad discussed how the railways have historically shaped the Indian way of life during the colonial period. She used infographics for the better understanding of market integration and technological interaction of the Indians with railways during the colonial era. She highlighted the changes railways brought about in the lives of the Indian people and how railways became a political space for “the budding of Indian Nationalism”.



UGC Expert Committee Visit



UGC Expert Committee visited Loyola College on July 20 & 21, 2017 for extension of Autonomy. The six member expert committee was coordinated by **Dr.(Ms.). Meenakshi Gopinath**, Former Principal, Lady Shri Ram College, New Delhi. The committee scrutinised all the credentials, interacted with the members of the management, officials, staff and students and visited all the landmarks of the college.

Mass of the Holy Spirit



Mass of the Holy Spirit was concelebrated on July 24, 2017. The staff and students of Loyola Campus participated in the holy mass with piety and sincerity to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit that makes us co-creators in recreating our common home and leads us towards New Earth and New Heaven. **Rev. Fr. M. Arul Raj, Vicar-General**, Arch-Diocese of Madras-Mylapore was the main celebrant and he professed the message: One Spirit – Many Gifts. He invited everyone to realise and identify the distinct talents God has endowed all of us with and become men and women for and with others. He further appealed to all the students to cultivate the three ‘I’s – Interactive, Innovative and Initiative as gifts of the Holy Spirit and make their academic life fruitful.

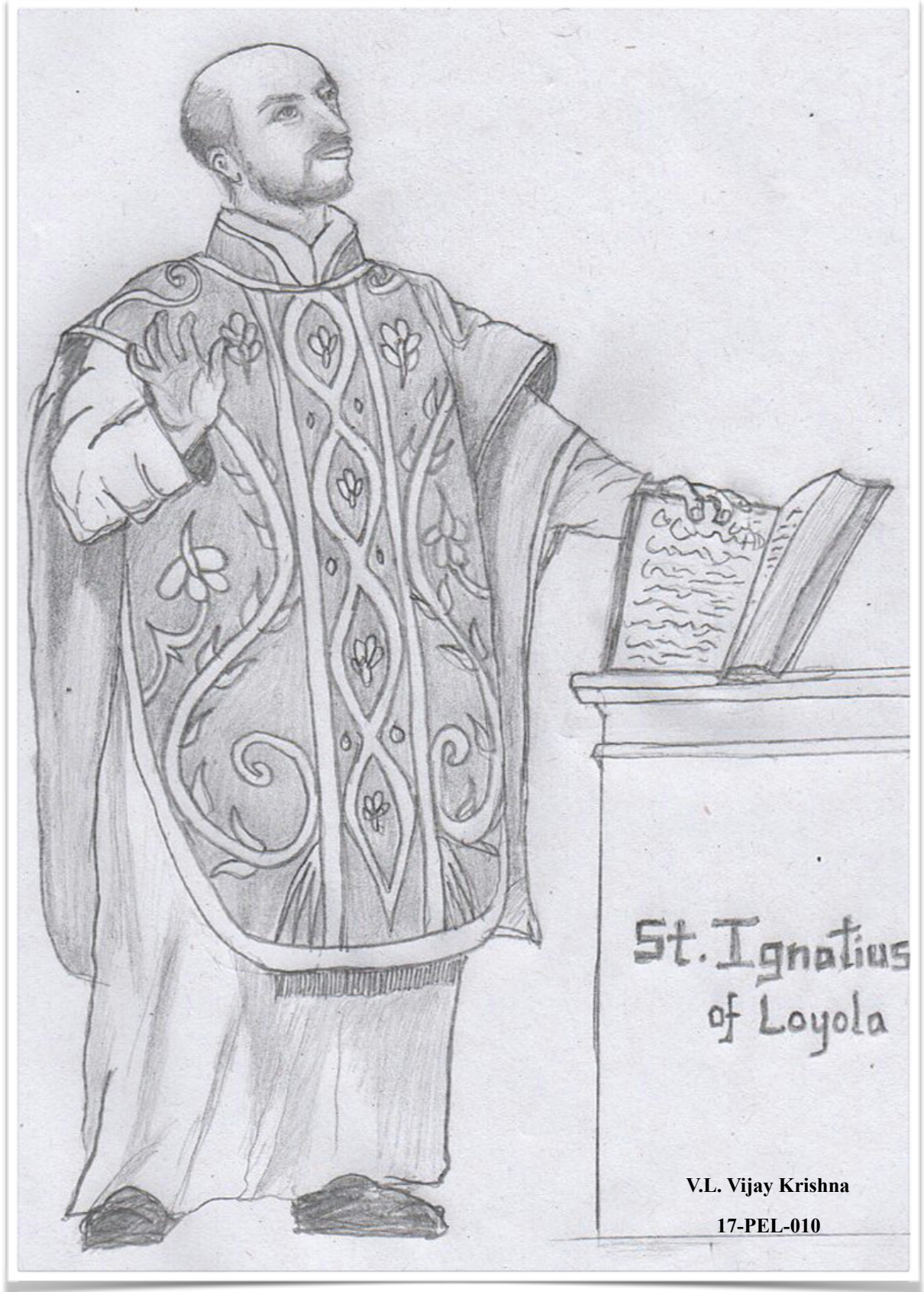


Making India Proud

Vikas G. Mehra (16-UEC-041) of B.A Economics Shift-I participated in the Dutch Junior Open 2017 (Squash) held at Amsterdam, Netherlands in the Boys Under-19 category representing India and won the 3rd place.



Students Corner



புனித இலொயோலா இஞ்ஞாசியார் [இலொயோலா பேசும் சரித்திரம்]

கனவு-பிறப்பு-காலம்-பணிவாழ்வு-எத்தகைய ஒருமித்த வார்த்தைகள், ஆயிரம் பிறப்புகள் தரணியில் சங்கமித்தாலும் ஆண்டவனோடு இணைந்த சங்கமம் அசைக்க முடியாத ஒன்று-சூரியனின் ஒளிதான் நிலவை ஒளிர வைக்கிறது, இறைமகன் இயேசுவின் தியாகவாழ்வே அவர் தலைவனாய் உருமாற காரணம். தியாகம்-தன்னிகரில்லா வார்த்தை , பணிவாழ்வு-பண்பாடுமிக்க வார்த்தை இரண்டும் இணைந்தவண்ணமாய் உருவானது ஒரு புனிதம்-குளிர்ச்சி மனதிற்கு மகிழ்ச்சி-குளிர்ந்தேசமான ஸ்பெயின் நாட்டில் உதயமானது ஒரு ஒளிபிழம்பு-யார் இந்த ஒளிபிழம்பு?--சரித்திரம் பேசுகிறது-நமது இலொயோலா இஞ்ஞாசியாரைப் பற்றி-இவரே அந்த ஒளிபிழம்பு!

பிறப்பு சரித்திரமிக்கது-செல்வந்த அரச குடும்பத்தின் வாரிசு இவர்-ஈடு இணையற்ற போர் வீரர்-பக்தி மிக்க தாயின் கனி இவர் -“நானே உன்னை முன்குறித்தேன் தாயின் கருவிலே” [எரேமியா 1:5] எனும் ஆண்டவனின் வார்த்தை இவர் வாழ்க்கையில் உண்மையாய் மாறியது-போர் பல துன்பங்களை மட்டுமே தரும்-ஆனால் இவர் வாழ்க்கையில் போர் மற்றும் சிறைச்சாலையுமே பல மாற்றங்களை தந்துவிட்டது.புத்தகமே சிறந்த நண்பன்-பைபிள் மற்றும் புனிதர்களின் வாழ்க்கைப் புத்தகம் இவரை பிற்காலத்தில் புனிதராகவே மாற்றிவிட்டது.

மாற்ற வேண்டும் என நினைத்த மறுநொடியிலே மனமிறங்கிய அன்னை மரியாள் இறைமகன் இயேசுவோடு தரிசனம் தந்தார் இஞ்ஞாசியாருக்கு.- துறந்தார் அரசவாழ்க்கையை -இழந்தார் போர்வீரர் எனும் குணத்தை - அடிமையாகினார் இறைமகன் இயேசுவுக்கு.-சென்றார் தனிமையைத்தேடி- புத்தருக்கு போதிமரம்-இஞ்ஞாசியாருக்கு குகை-கண்டார் இறையருளை- பெற்றார் இறை அனுபவத்தை-உருமாறினார் குருவாக...

எருசலேம் புனிதப்பயணம் இவர் வாழ்வின் புனிதப்பயணமாக மாறியது -உருவாக்கினார் ஒரு துறவற சபையை-ஆறு இளைஞர்களைக் கொண்டு ஆண்டவன் துணைகொண்டு இயேசு சபை எழும்பியது- பணிவாழ்வையே மையமாகக் கொண்டு திறம்பட பணியாற்றி அகில உலகெங்கும் பரவியது இயேசு சபை -இயேசுவின் வாழ்க்கையை பிரதிபலித்தனர் இயேசுசபை குருக்கள்.இத்தகைய மாபெரும் புனிதம் உதிர்ந்தது ,உலர்ந்தது ஜூலை 31,1556 ஆம் ஆண்டு.

உதிர்ந்தாலும், இணைந்தது இயேசுவின் சந்நிதியில்,எனவே 1662 இல் உயர்ந்தார் புனிதநிலைக்கு நம் இஞ்ஞாசியார்.

இலொயோலா -பிறர் வாழ்வில் ஒளி ஏற்றுவது,அவர் வழி நடப்போம். அமைதியை உருவாக்குவோம்.இணைவோம் இவர் சீடர்களாய்.தடம் பதிப்போம் தரணியில்.....

வாழ்க இஞ்ஞாசியார்!!!

வளர்க அவரது புகழ்!!!!

ஆ.டிசில்வா

முதுகலை ஆங்கிலம் -முதலாம் ஆண்டு.



SOLDIER

Once upon a time
 There was a man
 Haughty and Proud
 He was a soldier.

He forged a path
 Destruction all along
 But like you and me
 He met his crossroads.

Struck by his own
 He lay still; A vision
 Virgin and the Infant spoke
 His was a destiny made.

He stood and limped
 Slowly an Empire rose
 Like a King he rules still
 Yet he remains a soldier still.

Leader he was exemplary
 Because he bore his cross
 The soldier bows down
 To the Eternal Lord.

This soldier brought life
 To one's who sought light
 The Holy Dynasty stands strong
 A paradise for you and me.

Centuries yet you live
 In hearts who are grateful to you
 In His most divine name
 Your dream still lives.

A proud empire today
 Still the soldiers of you
 Loyola is our pride
 St. Ignatius! Soldier! Is our light.



Jovita Macrina

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JESUIT EDUCATION THROUGH LOYOLA

For a small town person like me, Loyola was a dream; a dream of having the door opened to achieve other dreams. Getting a seat in Loyola to pursue that dream was beyond anything that I could bring myself to describe. Like many, what I expected to find was a austere academy but what I've experienced in Loyola is far from that.

It was a surprise to see compassion and love flowing through the campus. I learnt that education only succeeds if it makes the student a good human being. Loyola lays the path for each and every soul that enters its portal in becoming humane.

The beauty of Loyola is that education is important but life's lesson is of paramount importance. In my one year stay I've learnt what the Jesuits actually strive for. They want to create a society of humane young lads, a generation of people being compassionate, understanding, paying attention and most importantly treating everyone equal. In this modern generation where each and everyone questions the reason of our existence, the Jesuit way of education helps us in finding that way.

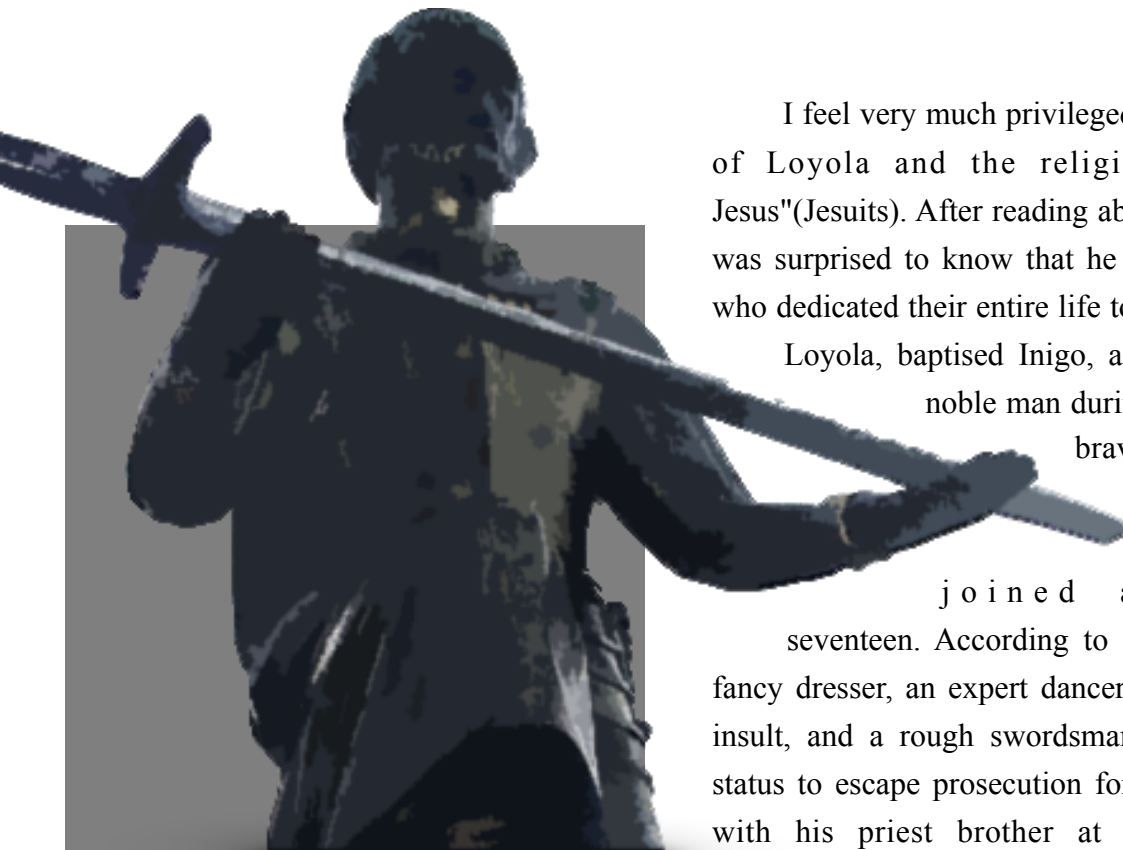
Jesuits are known for being creators of knowledge portals but in my experience of being in the hands of Loyola for the past one year they should most importantly be called as the creators of good human beings. As per the motto "Let Your Light Shine" they help me shine bright as a good human being. In the foot steps of their founder St. Ignatius, Loyola is and always be a home to people who want their light to burn bright, helping in chasing away the darkness in this world.

-Jovita Macrina

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ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA



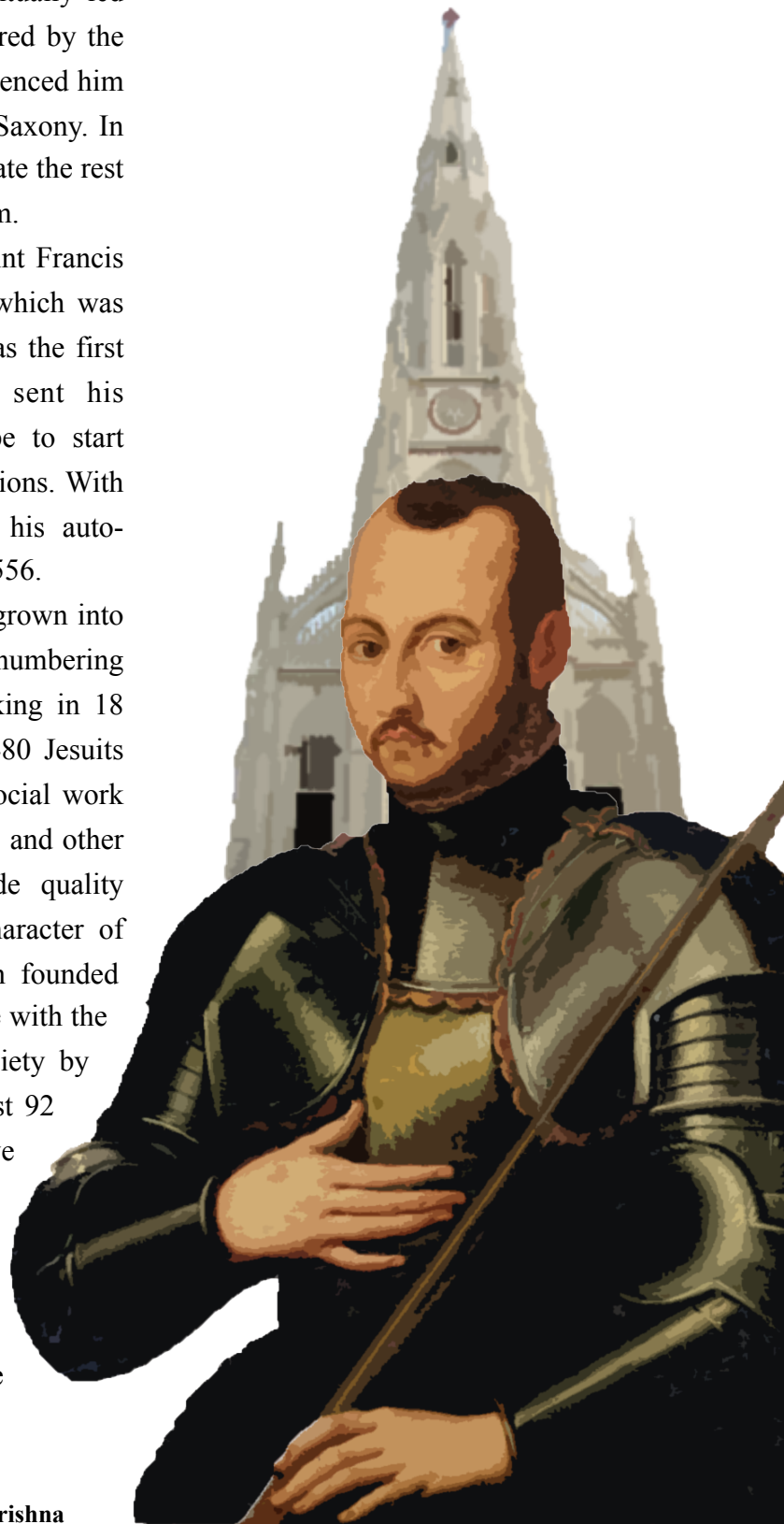
**From a
Swordsman
to a Saint.**

I feel very much privileged to write about St. Ignatius of Loyola and the religious order "Society of Jesus"(Jesuits). After reading about St. Ignatius of Loyola, I was surprised to know that he is not like the other saints who dedicated their entire life to spirituality. St. Ignatius of Loyola, baptised Inigo, after St. Enecus, was not a noble man during his early days. He was a brave and courageous man. Having great interest towards military, he joined army at the age of seventeen. According to one biographer, he was "a fancy dresser, an expert dancer, a womaniser, sensitive to insult, and a rough swordsman who used his privileged status to escape prosecution for violent crimes committed with his priest brother at carnival time". Being a swordsman he fought for the duke and participated in many battles and returned without much injuries. His diplomatic qualities earned him the name "Servant of the court". He was enjoying his life as a military personnel till 1521. He never ever hesitated to go on a duel with people who challenged him. He had a belief in Jesus but he never followed Him. Upon encountering a Moor who denied the divinity of Jesus, he challenged him to a duel to death, and ran him through with his sword. Shortly, a pathetic incident happened which turned his life upside down. A cannon ball hit his legs injuring his right leg and fracturing his left leg into pieces. This incident was an end mark to his military life. He went back to Loyola and underwent many surgeries.

It was during this period of recovery that he came to know about the glories of Jesus which eventually led him to read many religious texts. He was inspired by the life stories of many saints. The book which influenced him the most was "De Vita Christi" by Ludolph of Saxony. In 1522, he recovered and then he decided to dedicate the rest of his life to Jesus. He practiced severe asceticism.

In 1539, with Saint Peter Faber and Saint Francis Xavier, Ignatius formed the Society of Jesus, which was approved in 1540 by Pope Paul III. Ignatius was the first Superior General of the order. Then he sent his companions as missionaries all around Europe to start Schools, Colleges, Seminaries and other institutions. With the help of his personal secretary, he wrote his autobiography in 1553. St. Ignatius died on July 31, 1556.

Now the 'Society of Jesus'(Jesuits) has grown into a worldwide organisation of religious men numbering about 19,000, of which nearly 4,000 are working in 18 provinces in India. In Tamil Nadu, there are 480 Jesuits working in schools, colleges, youth services, social work centres, parishes, mission outreach programmes, and other services across the state. The Jesuits provide quality education and are experts in moulding the character of students. A French Jesuit, Fr. Francis Bertram founded Loyola College in 1925 in Chennai. This college with the vision of St. Ignatius has been serving the society by moulding able and efficient citizens for the past 92 years. It consistently ranks among the top five institutions in India, in streams like commerce, arts, natural sciences and social sciences. This institution not only aims for academic excellence but also for the holistic growth of each and every individual. The Jesuits are pioneers in the field of education.



V.L. Vijay Krishna

17-PEL-010

**Our forefathers they be
Both Man and Woman together,
Woman ate first and
The man ate the rest.**

**Fruit of knowledge it was
Abandoned by our dear Master.
Knowledge entered the world
There ended the innocence.**

**Children are born with innocence,
Original sin became a myth.
Innocence was lost in them
As they stepped into the world of knowledge.**

**Eductaion restricted their creativity
Narrowed their thoughts
But Wanting fame and power
To conquer the world.**

**The Lord denied the paradise
Mistakes never made them realize,
We are travelling towards the end
Destruction would soon take over.**

**Power and fame they got,
Lost their humanity
Destroying the rented house
Forgetting that Death is ceratin.**

**Six foot land is what they deserve
Which is of no sure,
Fruit of knowledge will never save us
The end is near.**

The Fruit Of Knowledge



CLINI VIJAY
16-PEL-045



**What is this world, where
You win and get praises,
You loose and get stoned.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
God is praised for your victory
And you are cursed for your defeat.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
People say death is God's will
But committing suicide is your will.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
Blind faith rules the world
Without knowing the worth of God.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
Visiting Church to convince others
Than serving our own needy neighbour.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
You follow a religion
That lacks the principles of Jesus, Buddha and Nabi.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
We fight for our leaders
Than loving one another as our Master taught.
Can we ever change?**

**What is this world, where
I will be questioned or killed
Rather than accepting the truth.
Can we ever change?**



**What
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**CLENI VIJAY
16-pel-045**

"If it were not for hopes, the heart would break..."

-Thomas Fuller

HOLD ON

Bring me on

for the life that I yearn.

It's a thought.

That makes me hold on.

A hope

That may come alive

Between the ups and downs

Just to stop the tiresome drive.

Bring me on

The happiness and the song

The reason to quit

And the strength to move on.

A hive

Filed with reasons to smile

Maybe lost, but keeps

the love beguiles.

Subash D.

16-PEL-040

**"Those who carry God
in their hearts
bear heaven
with them
wherever they go"**

**"It is not hard to
obey when we
love the one
whom we
obey"**

**"Teach us to
give and not
to count the
cost"**

**"Go forth and
set the world
on fire"**

**"The more completely
we focus our attention
on our Creator
and Lord, the less
chance there is of our
being distracted by creatures"**

**"Love is shown
more in deeds
than in words"**

**"Pray as if God
will take care
of all; act as
if all is up
to you"**

**"If God causes
you to suffer
much,
it is a sign that
He certainly
intends to make
you a saint"**

**"Whatever you are
doing, that which
makes you feel the
most alive, that is
where God is"**



