

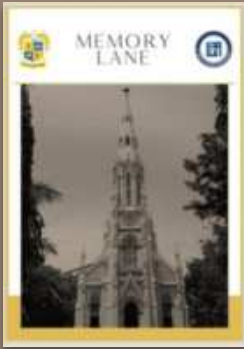


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Dear Alumni,
Greetings



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

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

Stay Blessed



Loyola and Covid Care



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

Covid Care Centre:

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

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

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



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



Oxygen Concentrators:

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



Few of our Alumni had also donated Oxygen Concentrators, notably Surender Singh Kandhari (25), VGP Rajadas (2) and Amit Kothari(2).

Covid Care Kit:

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

These were distributed to the focal persons identified by the by Loyola Outreach Department from the underprivileged areas of Chennai and Thiruvallur regions. These focal persons numbering around 700 were trained to serve as Covid Warriors in their respective localities. These Covid Warriors worked hand in hand with the Officials of Greater Chennai Corporation and other NGO's to prevent the spread of the virus. This had a tremendous impact on the people. This prevention activities continue till date and Loyola continues to supply Kabasura Kudineer to these focal persons so that the immunity of the people can be boosted. This became a bottom up approach where the people help each other to protect themselves. The focal persons continue to send reports to Loyola College once in 2 weeks.



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



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

Provisions to the migrant workers:

One month's provision in bags had been distributed to nearly 2000 migrant workers covering three districts. This was an initiative of LCS with the support of the LAA. Many alumni had generously contributed to this cause. Jesuit Migrant Service (JMS) and the Loyola Relief and Rehabilitation Service (LRRS) handled the distribution. Provisions were also distributed to 1000 widows who had lost their meagre income on account of Covid Lockdown.



Loyola Tele Care for Covid (LT4C):

Loyola TeleCare For COVID (LT4C)

WHO CAN CONTACT?

All Covid Positive Patients or Patients with Covid Symptoms and their caregivers

SUPPORT PROVIDED

- Emotional Support for distress
- Psychological counseling for Patients with Fear & Anxiety
- Referral Services to Patients with Doctors for medical emergencies
- Referral Services to deserving patients for food supplies

Helpline Numbers
+91-44-28178295, 28178296,
28178297, 28178298

Timings : 9.00 am - 5.00 pm

An Initiative by
Loyola College, Chennai

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



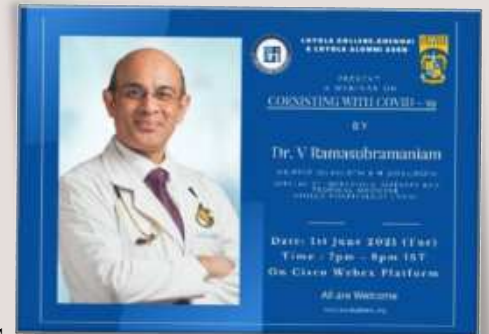
Fr Jacob was seen in discussion and planning with the Tele Care volunteers.

Webinars:

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

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

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



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

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



Loyola's contribution to the Government:

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



News from the Chapters:




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



LOYOLA ALUMNI USA CHAPTERS

MEET YOUR PROFESSORS

PHYSICS DEPT



DR. A. WILLIAMS

Live on Zoom.
Register now

6th MARCH 2021
07:30pm - 09:30pm IST
06:00am - 08:00am PST
09:00am - 11:00am EDT

REGISTER NOW

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DR. A. RAMANAND

"Changing trends and Leadership skills for the future"

"Team Building and leadership for successful missions"

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President
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Dr. Vaseehar Hassan
Leadership Coach
Loyola College, Singapore Chapter

Dr. Antony Jeevarajan
Deputy Division Chief, Biomedical Research and Environmental Sciences Division (NASA)
Loyola College, Alumni USA Chapter

Join us on Saturday, Oct 3rd

07:00 AM - 12:00 AM
07:00 AM - 08:30 AM
08:30 AM - 01:00 PM

To Register [click here](#)

Medium Zoom call

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DR. INDRA RAJASINGH
HOD - MATHS DEPT
LOYOLA COLLEGE 1978 - 2012

SAVE THE DATE
30 OCTOBER 2020

11:00 AM - 12:00 AM EDT
08:00 AM - 09:00 AM PDT
08:30 PM - 09:30 PM IST



UNITED STATES LOYOLA COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PRESENTS

LIVE WEBINAR SERIES

TOPIC
Human Space Exploration: Challenges and Opportunities

CHECK OUT
View launch of Mars 2020 Perseverance Rover on July 30.
<https://www.nasa.gov/specials/virtual-guest-perseverance/index.html>

SAVE THE DATE
August 22, 2020, Saturday
11 AM to 12 NOON EDT
8:30 PM to 9:30 PM IST

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PROF. G.J. SUDHAKAR

LOYOLA ALUMNI CANADA PRESENTS

CANADIAN TAX PLANNING 101

PRESENTATION SHARING SERIES
An Initiative by Loyola Alumni Canada Chapter



5.30 PM EST

For more information, contact the below team

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COMMERCE DEPT.



PROF. ALSTON ROZARIO



PROF. CARLTON YOUNG


Mr. Carlton Young & Mr. Alston Rozario Live on Zoom...

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


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CHEMISTRY DEPT.



PROF. DR. D.P. SANKARAN



PROF. S. GOVINDARAJAN

Live on Zoom.
Register now

28th November 2020
07:30pm - 08:30pm IST
07:00am - 08:00am PST
10:00am - 11:00am EDT

REGISTERED NOW

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DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND

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NASA - JOHNSON SPACE CENTER, USA

17th MARCH 2021 - 6pm - 7pm IST

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MASULLAH MO.K
Coordinator, USA Chapter

DR. ANTONY KAVIER
Head of Department

MARIA JOY FELIX
Director, IAC

Outstanding contribution of our Alumni to the society:

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

From Mahakavi Subramania Bharathi

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

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

The screenshot displays the Agaram Foundation website. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Who We Are, What We Do, Be A Part With Us, Magazine, Gallery, Agaram Tv, FAQ, Contact, and a red Donate button. The main content area features a 'Founders Message' section with a portrait of R. S. Suriya, Founder of Agaram Foundation. Below the portrait, there are three quotes from him regarding education's role in social upliftment and the foundation's mission. The bottom section, titled 'What We Do', features a portrait of Sujith Kumar and a list of achievements: 6+ Years, 50+ College Partners, 900+ Students educated For Free, and several awards including 'Pride of TN', 'The Rise in Chennai', 'Evangelist Award', 'Alumne of the Year', 'Subramanian Award', and 'Nirada Festival'. The Agaram Foundation logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

AGARAM FOUNDATION

Home Who We Are What We Do Be A Part With Us Magazine Gallery Agaram Tv FAQ Contact Donate

Founders Message

R. S. Suriya, Founder, Agaram Foundation.

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

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

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

Sujith Kumar

6+ Years 50+ College Partners 900+ Students educated For Free

PRIDE OF TN THE RISE in Chennai EVANGELIST AWARD ALUMNE OF THE YEAR SUBRAMANIAN AWARD NIRADA FESTIVAL

What We Do

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

Agaram Foundation

Loyola Alumni Day (LAD)

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

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

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

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

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

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

Covid Warrior – *Mr S Muralidharan (1979-82)*

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

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



Mr. M. Razzack



Mr. C. Subba Reddy



Mr. Aswath Damodaran



Mr. D. Bala Nagendran. IAS



Mr. S. Muralidharan



Mr. Paul James



Mr. Preejo TJ



Mr. Andrew Rozario

NOTICE BOARD

Our Souvenir Shop 'Shop@1925' is ready and will be inaugurated when normalcy is restored



Please send your high-resolution photos with your write up for better visual effects

Please continue to send us activities of your Chapters for publication in the forthcoming issues!

Forward your feedback and news for future issues to:

alumni@loyolacollege.edu



In memoriam

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

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

On completion he had joined Loyola College as a faculty.

May his souls rest in peace