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## Auxiliary Provincial's Programme

**05 Mar 2022**  
RTU Board meeting.

**20-22 Mar 2022**  
Convocation Day - Vidya Deep  
College, Bangalore.

**28 Mar 2022**  
PARC Zoom meeting



## Auxiliary Provincial's Message



Dear Brothers and Partners, greetings to you.

### SAINTS

"God's word has an in-built power, it is a dynamic, creative reality. It not only teaches but also effects what it proclaims." (Heb. 4:12)

INNER STRENGTH, as the work of grace, prevents us from becoming carried away by the violence that is so much a part of life today, because grace saves VANITY and makes possible MEEKNESS of HEART. SAINTS do not waste energy complaining about the failing of others; they hold their tongue before the faults of their brothers and sisters, and avoid the verbal violence that demeans and mistreats others. SAINTS hesitate to treat others harshly, they consider others better than themselves. You over come evil with good, banish the devil and thus, POSSESS A HAPPY HEART (Gaudete et Exsultate 116& 117).

Are we involved, at least unconsciously, in the subtle form of violence by lording it over others like heartless judges?

Are we always trying to teach others lessons?

Let us always prefer to be taught by all, rather than teaching even the least of all.

Guide us to practice this all the more with those least attract us.

I will rejoice in the good of others as if mine.

All the best and prayers.  
Kind regards,

**Rev.Br.T.Amalan FSC**  
Auxiliary Provincial - LASAD



## Birth Days Greetings

05 Saturday : Bro. Brinesh

06 Sunday : Bro. Jerad Balaratnam (Sri Lanka)

07 Monday : Bro. Jerald

11 Friday : Bro. Placidus Fernando (Sri Lanka)

14 Monday : Bro. Joseph Fernando

16 Wednesday : Bro. Philip Estridge (Sri Lanka)

19 Saturday : Bro. A. Arockiasamy Jr.

24 Thursday : Bro. Joseph Raj

29 Tuesday : Bro. Anton Gunathilaka (Sri Lanka)

29 Tuesday : Bro. T. Amalan



## Institute Days & Lasallian Feasts

### 03 March

- Bro. Exupérien Mas and
- Bro. Teodoreto Garberoglio declared Venerable.

### 11 March

- Beatification of the Brother Martyrs of Valencia.

### 19 March

- St. Joseph Patron and Protector of the Institute.

## Death Anniversary:

16 March

Bro. Francis of Paula (1977)

## Holidays for Central Office

All Saturdays : Afternoon

All Sundays : Full day

# Lent





## ST.LASALLE - KEESARA

### Chronicle for the month of February 2022

#### Academic Studies:

##### **Special Coaching Classes.**

As we are approaching the state board annual examination for the 10<sup>th</sup> standard, special coaching classes were arranged with the consent of the parents. The students' participation was excellent and the subject teachers involvement was commendable. The 9<sup>th</sup> standard students were also encouraged to remain in the school till 6 pm for individual attention particularly for the slow learners. We expect the annual exams to be conducted in the month of May. Since we lagged behind about 2 months for the start of the academic year we have to make up the working days and so the delay of annual examination.

#### **Parent Teachers Meet:**

About 30 parents attended the parents meet. We invited the 10<sup>th</sup> standard students' parents. The Principal detailed about the importance of the meeting and we discussed on the responsibilities of parents and students. The school plays a major role in enabling the students for better academic performance. The common issues related to transport and payment of school fee were discussed and shared. The parents were happy to know about their childrens performance from the subject teachers. We hope that many students will achieve higher grades in the forthcoming annual examination.

#### **Visit to Mr.Nakludu, Home Visit:**

Mr.Nakludu our school teacher met with an accident and hospitalized. He is on rest for few months. All the staff of our school visited him at his residence in Vijayawada. We wish and pray for his speedy recovery .





## ST.LASALLE - TUTICORIN

### Tuticorin Tidings.....

#### Lasalle on YouTube:

We have started a YouTube channel – St Lasalle Higher Secondary School. Every day, our boys share a 'Thought for a day' both in English and Tamil. Our teachers assist them to prepare them and to upload. We are able to reach far distances with this electronic mode. You are welcome to watch us.

#### Revision Tests:

Exams are always bitter pills for the students to bite. However, if they are motivated, then there is a possibility of tasting the exams as a sugar-coated substance. Our X and XII standard students were busy with all these preparatory exams. These pieces of training also mean that the Final exams are just around the corner.

#### Sports:

Lasalle remains unbeaten in many sports events as always. Only the pandemic beat us but our boys keep training themselves whenever they get some time. There were many matches conducted at the Zonal level, Club level and on festival days. Our volleyball and football teams are always sought after. There is always an expectation from the spectators when our team plays. This month, we won many cash prizes and trophies. We thank our Physical Education Teachers and appreciate our boys who always make an extra effort when the matches are just around the corner.

#### Unbeatable Lasalle:

Mr Isidore, our Art Teacher leaves no stone unturned to train the boys and win prizes at all levels of competitions. This month, it was from National Forest Welfare Department, our boys won first prizes in many categories. Kudos to our boys and Mr Isidore.





## ST.LASALLE - KEELAMUDIMAN



### ORANGE COLOUR DAY CELEBRATION

Unity in diversity marks the celebration of orange day.

On 23 February, Orange colour Day was celebrated with enthusiasm. Orange is a dynamic colour and stimulates imagination and creativity. Our students, Teachers and parents were dressed in shades of orange, shining brightly. The children learnt various other things about the orange colour which also symbolizes enthusiasm, hope and prosperity. The children were asked to bring orange coloured objects to the class on that day and displayed for the visitors. Bl.James Miller auditorium was beautifully decorated with orange coloured objects, ribbons and information charts. Our Students brought many objects like carrot, orange, marigold, orange toy, and bicycle and many other orange coloured things.

The children performed interesting activities on related to the orange colour. The children of Nursery and Kindergarten showed the objects with their costumes and told the significance of the objects.

The children were exposed to a series of creative activities to help them understand the positive impact of orange.

A dynamic and stimulating learning environment was created to help the children explore their imagination and creativity through meticulously organized drawing and craft activities. The children learnt to create the cognitive link between visual clues and words.

The children enjoyed a lot and it was indeed a pleasure to witness little ones dressed up in orange bubbling with energy and fascination. In a nutshell, the purpose of this activity was fulfilled with each and every child emitting enthusiasm, vigor and zest.

### Upcoming Events

- Third week of March: Cursive Writing Training
- Fourth week of March: Slow learners Training
- Fifth week of March: FUN day for KG Kids
- First week of April: Three days Novena to St .LaSalle and special prayers.





**Inter school science exhibition:** On 28 February 2022, our school organized a Inter school science exhibition program on our school premises on the occasion of National Science Day. Mr. Resington, Scientist was our chief guest on this peculiar day. This science exhibition was chambered into four galleries namely "C V Raman Gallery, Kalam space, Ramanujan Gallery and Kalpana chawla Gallery". Exhibition started with inaugural ceremony at 10:00 am. All the Brothers and faculty members were present at the exhibition. Students from classes VI to IX participated in the event and the exhibition was open to students from other schools as well. Students presented different types of models which were related to different branches of science like molecular models, space satellites, DC motors, transformers, solar systems, etc. Our Honourable Chief Guest along with the other Guest surveyed the entire exhibition and also took details from the Respective Students about each of their models. Simultaneously, the people at the exhibition also thoroughly enjoyed the event. After that our chief guest gave a motivational speech on how technology made things more efficient and also told that there are unlimited opportunities in the field of science. Along with this he also distributed prizes to those students who had made very good models and awarded First 10 students. In the end, the headmaster gave a speech and thanked everyone for participating in this science exhibition event.

**Women's day celebration:** International Women's Day was celebrated on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2022 to recognise the contribution and significance of the women. Women's Day celebration was organised by the women's staff of St. Joseph's school and the Sisters of CIC. The entire programme of the day was highlighted the importance of women, the role of women and her greatness in every sphere of our life. A skit on the life of the women, was enacted which conveyed an inspiring message to the women of this generation to be women of courage, compassion and care at the same time not forgetting to be a self -reliant and an independent woman.





**Feb 04**

10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> standard students were vaccinated second time.

**Feb 05**

We organized Parents meet for the 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> standard students. A large number of parents participated in the meeting. The meeting began at 10.30am Bro. correspondent welcomed the parents and gave some instruction to the parents. Bro. Headmaster and Mrs. Karbakavalli spoke about the rules and regulations of the school and some guidelines to follow to prepare the students for Public exam.

**Feb 09**

10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> students Government conducted the First revision test from February 09 to 17.

**Feb 21**

Language day was organized by Tamil Teachers. We organized competition for students and many participated and winners got the prize.

**Feb 23**

Education Department of tamilnadu conducted Twining of Schools program for the 8<sup>th</sup> std students. Our school teachers Mrs. Arulselvi and Victoria Rani went to Shathani Govt School to give best practices about our school and showed the some videos program about our school events.

**Feb 28**

Science Exhibition was organized by the Science teachers in the Lasalle Kalaiyarangam. Around 102 students from neighboring schools participated. Many students exhibited their talents by putting up new models creatively. We invited nearby school they came to visit our science exhibition. Other school teachers and students admired and wondered about our science exhibition. In the afternoon our school students visited the science exhibition. Finally the winners from each class were given prize to encourage the students.







1. After the New Year celebrations students are back to the college and classes began regularly.
  2. we have started our first phase of campaigning in the month of January, going around different private, government schools and private and government run hostels in order to promote more admissions into our college for the next academic year.
  3. As per the recommendations from the evaluation team of BJT College and as per the communication of Br. Auxiliary visitor, Br.Reegan made a announcement change of office of the principal. It is from then onwards announced as Br.Sudheer as principal of BJT College.
  4. We celebrated republic day in a grand manner. Br. Sudheer hoisted the flag and shared the message of republic day with the students.
  5. Our college second year Intermediate science students are supposed to do their external practical examinations, for which the students are given training in the college.
  6. As part of our college developmental activities, Br. Reegan started planting the trees and preparing the garden in the college campus.
  7. We have received a college girl's toilet project and the working is going fast.
  8. Regional Inspection officer (RIO) of intermediate board from Vijayawada has visited our college to inspect our labs and it's all equipment
  9. In order to get good results for our students in public examination we have started evening study hours till 7 'o clock in the evening.
  - 10.Mr. Kiran, Alumni of BJT College, visited us and expressed his great fullness towards the institution. He also said that BJT has taught him how to cope up with the situations in life.
- I thank all my community brothers for their content support and encouragement for the development of BJT College. Prayers for all those who affected and died of corona.







## NOVITIATE

The Month of February was a month of great “life- learning” for the novices. The program engaged the novices to ponder over their life on a human level as well as the divine. To address on human level sessions as **Social ills: Politics, Addictions, Prostitution and human trafficking** were given to the novices by Albert Alejo SJ, Fr. Mel Alvendia, Sr. Cecilla Espenilla from the Philippines. It made them to be more aware of the contemporary evils that prevail in our society. It was helpful for them to integrate their life in line with the insights they got through the sessions.

Sessions on Lasallian Consecrated life by Br. Felix Joseph, Catholic Social Teachings by Br. Philip Estridge, Christian Spirituality: Call to Holiness by Br. Vincent Fernandez were very Lasallian. The theology of consecrated life/ impact on personal spirituality by Br. Gary Wilson was introduced to the novices. It created the awareness that how we need to pursue Holiness in the consecrated life. They were able to see the connection between the human and divine through these sessions. It enhanced their spirituality.

The community celebrated the **birthday of novice Jabran Bhatti** on Feb17. We had a special prayer service and the sharing animated by the novices.

First time in the institute, a historical moment took place during this month. The PARC novices had an inter-regional meeting and the session on Feb19 and 21 Feb 2022. Br. Felix Joseph initiated **the inter-regional novices get together**. Br. Vincent Pelletier from DENA gave the session on **Missionary discipleship** for a couple of days. It was an enriching experience for the novices from both regions.

. And then Br. James Joost gave a session on **Association (Brother's perspective)**. It made the novices aware of the expansion of the institute. The novices could know about the nature of the institute in a multi-cultural context. The session on **Circular 461** was given by Br. David Hawke. It was an interactive session. It gave an appropriate picture of the association that exists in our Institute to the novices. The novices had great learnings throughout the month.

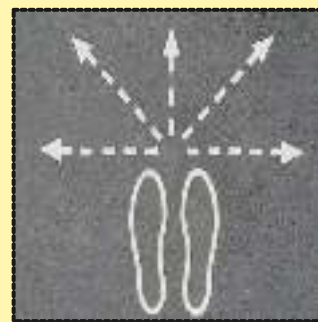




## Postulancy chronicles

### February memoir

Feast of the presentation of our Lord was celebrated on 2<sup>nd</sup> February in our chapel animated by Fr.Mark, Capuchin. Candle light procession reminded the Postulants and the Brothers' of their consecration, mission and challenges- **Take your candle and light the world.** On 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Formation commission meet was held at Boys Town. Our community went to see Bro.Alex who is recuperating at Apollo and prayed with him. We wish him back to the mission soon (God hears our prayers). We participated the feast of St. Miguel Arul Thentral on 9<sup>th</sup> February. Meaningful liturgy and delicious dinner made the day memorable. We welcomed Bro.Visitor upon his arrival on 11<sup>th</sup> February. Instantaneously his heart went out to meet the Postulants in the afternoon. Our Postulants were elated to welcome and to share their experiences with him. The canonical visit of Bro. Visitor galvanized all and sundry at Boys Town into action. Our Postulants went to Vaadipatti for their discernment retreat on 28<sup>th</sup> -2<sup>nd</sup> March.- *When the Lord gives a mission, He always has us enter into a process, a process of discernment, a process of obedience, a process of prayer- Pope Francis.*





## Arul Thendral - Nagamalai

As you all know, Nineth of February is a very special day in our Institute, and more specially in our community because, it is the feast day of our beloved brother Saint Miguel Febres cordero. We had a very mild celebration for various reasons. We invited the nearby community and FABS sisters community. The highlight of the day was that we honoured all our Chaplains for they have been serving us for the past three years continuously. They belong to Guanelian and Pallotine communities. We had a meaningful Eucharistic celebration and a sumptuous dinner. A special prayer was offered for all of you.

De La salle house community brothers from Tuticorin came to our community to make their monthly recollection. It happened so because they were on their way to pay a visit to Bro. Alex. The same day bro. Director of our community Bro. Jerry went to give recollection to the candidates of the Holy Family brothers.

Aspirant Prakash went to Keelamudiman school for his school experience. He had a very good time there with the boys and it was a great learning experiences for him. Some of the boys recommended that he continue there for three more weeks. Such was the impact he made by his presence and service.

Pradeep, our senior candidate went along with the Postulants for discernment retreat to Vadipatty. He said that he had a fruitful and meaningful retreat. He learned that "being silent" speaks a lot.

The community paid a visit to Bro. Alex and prays continuously for his speedy recovery. Wish you all an Lenten season. May our Lenten observances bring more graces.



## What are you doing for Lent?

10 IDEAS FOR A MORE MEANINGFUL LENTEN SEASON

### 1. Give up sin

Show your love for God by keeping his commandments. Turn away from sins.

### 2. Fast

An empty stomach can lead to more attentive prayer. Give the money you saved on food to others in alms.



### 3. Pray

Be in constant prayer. Pray for your family and friends, for those who suffer, and for the Church and the world.

### 4. Do good works

Help those in need. Pray for them and be ready to serve them in their time of need.



### 5. Give alms

Help the poor and support the good works of the Church. Give cheerfully to God who has given us everything we have.



### 6. Abstain

Give up meat or other desirable foods during Lent, especially on Friday, the day of Christ's saving death on the cross.



### 7. Do meditative reading

Nourish your faith by spending time in quiet reading and reflection. Prayerful reading of God's word each day will open your heart to the Spirit, and let God's thoughts and ways influence yours.

### 8. Control desire for possessions

Build up treasures in heaven rather than on earth. Cut down on material possessions, eliminate frills, lessen wants, share yourself – your time and your talents – with others.

### 9. Control desire for entertainment

Too much entertainment and other distractions can lead to less or no time for the works of the Lord.

### 10. Carry out duties in life

Serve God by living out your vocation in love each day. God is calling each of us to be a living sacrifice. Offer your daily life through Christ!

Text from Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' "Living Lent"



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## ST. Joseph's Juniorate - Mangalagiri

### A Dream Finally Fulfilled in SJJM

When the Time had come  
for a long awaited penchant dream  
to be come to pass in SJJM home  
Our hearts in us ran in miles in blithesome  
To welcome our Visitor in purple gladsome.



It was a spectacular serene evening  
In the midst of brilliance of colorful serial bulbs glowing  
In luminous spectacular LED lights shining  
With hanging of balloons in rainbow hues marvelous  
The Statue of our Founder appeared in Glorious.

As we recited the Litany of our Holy Founder  
Br. Bertram our Visitor cut the ribbon and unveiled the  
Statue

While we were chanting hymn to our Founder  
Fr. Rubert Blessed the Statue and its premises.

We raise our hearts in thankfulness for those benevolent  
hands

For their generous gesture, magnanimous heart and  
Loving contributions to our home St. Joseph's Juniorate  
We wish you God's choicest Blessings in your families.

Stay blessed...Live Jesus in our hearts.....Forever



## THE SEASON OF Lent



**PRAY**



**FAST**



**GIVE**





## LASALLE JEEVAN SHARAVANTH- KEESARA

### Events that occurred in our community in the month February -2022

#### 1.Fraternal visit By the Provincial Rev.Bro. BertramFSC

**“A fraternity is an association of men, Chosen from this world by self-governing processes, because of their adherence to common ideals and aspirations”.**

**-Newton D. Baker**

**“Fraternal Love is the nearest testimony that we can give that Jesus lives among us” -Pope Francis**

A fraternal welcome was given as a community to our Provincial on the 11<sup>th</sup> at Boys' Town in Madurai. Since Bro. Bertram could not come to Andhra Pradesh due to some inconveniences pertaining to COVID, we, the Brothers as a community went to Madurai and had a wonderful time with him in person and as a community. Brother spoke with us about different aspects of religious life and spiritual life. He emphasized on community life very much. He gave us the following guidelines.

1. Community members have to listen to each other.
2. Brothers should live in unity.
3. Brothers should be regular to community prayers and other spiritual activities.
4. Brothers should keep a proper balance between community activities and mission activities.
5. Brothers should be community oriented.
6. Brothers should focus on common welfare.
7. There should be transparency in all level.
8. Brothers should be a living witness to the children.
9. Brothers should qualify and equip themselves.

The above guidelines help us to renew ourselves for a witnessing life. we are very much thankful to our visitor for the welcome and the fraternity that we experienced with him.





## LASALLE JEEVAN SHARAVANTH- KEESARA

### 2. Renewing and reforming oneself - Community Recollection

**“One travels more usefully when alone because he reflects more.”**

We had set apart all our activities and spent a day with the Lord to renew our inner self. The day of recollection was organized on 24th on the theme “Building community through forgiveness and celebration”. It was conducted by Bro Thomson. Silence gives soul an atmosphere to introspect thus the recollection helped us to have a deeper self-reflection. The point about moving from solitude to community and from community to ministry sharpened our mind and impaled our soul.

Let me just give you the gist of it here.

1. Solitude - It's a place to find the inner soul from which to live our life. It's the place where spiritual ministry begins. God says, "Start in the hub; live in the hub"
2. Community- It's precisely in the hub, in that communion with God, that we discover the call to community. In solitude we realize that we are part of a human family and in that we want to live something together witnessing life and celebrate each other's gifts.
3. Ministry- Let go and surrender, He will make you fruitful. Yes, trust and give yourself to Him. Remain in Him; He remains in you and you will bear much fruits, you will have a great joy, and your joy will be complete in your ministry.

It was just a wonderful day.



## ST.PIUS BOYS' TOWN ITI- MADURAI

### Art and Craft training programme:

On 25& 26 of February Boystown Twon boys had an opportunity to learn about Art and craft classes. Mrs. Thenmozhi from Madurai trained the boys very well. This classes was very useful and it created interest among the students on their skills,end of the day the model project was given to everyone to do it.The second day The boys exhibited their innovative ideas through their model Arts, painting and drawing . Thanks to Mrs. Thenmozhi and her team members for their beautiful training classes.





## ST.LASALLE PUTHUMANAM ITI-DINDUGUL

**Industrial Training for the students:** After the lock-down, the students returned to our school. All the students were encouraged to be vaccinated. Now senior students are placed in different industries for the Industrial training for two weeks. They go in different batches for the training programme. It is really learning experiences working with experienced persons in the company. They are happily and interestingly learning.

**Practical session:** The 1<sup>st</sup> Year students are getting practical lab training in their respective trades regularly. The staff are training them very well and the students are so enthusiastic to do different model and programme in their labs. All their performances are uploaded in the youtube channel. The students feel so happy about their performances and so eager to do some more and preparing themselves to demonstrate in the exhibition which will be organised in our ITI in the month of May. Many other ITIs' from our District will be invited for the programme.

**Demise of our worker:** Mrs.Shanthi who worked in our Institution for many years as a sweeper passed away on 13 Feb. it was a great shock for everyone in our campus. The Brothers and the staff went to pay last homage for her and consoled her family members. We continually remember her in our prayers. Let her soul rest in peace.

**Progress of driving school:** we have restarted our St. La Salle Puthumanam Driving school for the past few months. It benefits many of our students and others too. We slowly tie up with NGO's and colleges to train their students in driving and get licence for them. Many are joining in our Driving school. We are taking an effort to admit many more students in the coming months.

**An official visit from the collectorate:** Due to COVID -19, many youth have lost their jobs and many are unable to continue their formal studies due to financial constraints. So the Institution has decided to organize a few skill based courses to train such youth in order to become self-reliant in their life. So we connect with a few nodal agencies to get Government sponsored courses. Mr.Saravanan, Project officer of Dindigul District had made an inspection along with his team. He was extremely happy about the infrastructure, lab equipment, and computer lab. The courses will begin after the Government's approval. It will definitely benefit for many urban youth in our district.





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To : All Correspondents, Headmasters of the Institutions and Directors of communities & Formation Houses,

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