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# THE SUPERIOR

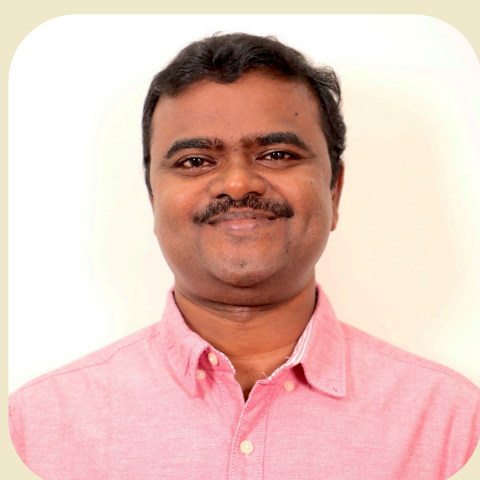
As Maya Angelou so eloquently put it, “A bird doesn’t sing because it has an answer; it sings because it has a song.” I would like to begin by expressing my heartfelt gratitude to the editorial team, staff members, and student reporters of our monthly magazine. It is a delight to see our dream from last year take flight, and I am thrilled that it has now become a reality, spreading its wings far and wide.

This new initiative serves three essential purposes. Firstly, it embodies the collective vision of the Jesuit Management and our Principal to create a platform for the creative expression of both staff and students. We have already witnessed the remarkable talents of our students through the numerous trophies and awards they have won in intercollegiate competitions. To further nurture these talents, we have conducted regular workshops on creative writing, and it is our sincere hope that both students and staff will utilize this digital platform to give wings to their creativity. I appreciate the faculty members for their consistent efforts in identifying and nurturing the hidden talents of our students, reminding me of Benjamin Franklin’s words: “Either write something worth reading or do something worth writing.”

Secondly, this magazine aims to create a digital repository of the many activities that take place at Loyola College, Mettala. Each year, we invest significant amounts of money, effort, and creative energy in numerous initiatives, and this magazine will serve as an effective tool for preserving our activities and achievements in digital form. This will ensure that our collective efforts are not forgotten but remain a lasting record for future reference.

Thirdly, the magazine provides an affordable and accessible way of showcasing our initiatives to different stakeholders, especially parents and well-wishers. It will keep them informed of the activities we are engaged in and reflect the progress we are making in our academic journey and in the holistic formation of our students. By sharing our achievements in this manner, we strengthen the bond between the college and its wider community of supporters.

As we celebrate Teacher’s Day on September 5th, I know that teachers play an irreplaceable role in this creative effort of student transformation. Our faculty members work tirelessly, instilling confidence and helping students overcome the socio-economic and cultural barriers they face. I salute our teachers who live out the Jesuit ideal of forming “men and women for others,” ensuring that learning is meaningful and goes beyond subjects to inspire students to dream big despite their humble beginnings. On behalf of the Jesuit Management and in the name of Fr. Britto Vincent SJ, our new Provincial, I sincerely thank all our faculty members for their significant contribution to the holistic development of students and the larger mission of nation building.



**Rev. Dr. Dominic Jayakumar SJ, PhD**  
Superior & Vice-President



# SECRETARY

I am very happy that IQAC of Loyola College, Mettala, in collaboration with the Departments of Tamil and English, brings out its first issue of the Newsletter and such publication is the first of its kind in the college. Being published during the eleventh year of its foundation, this truly adds value to the college and speaks volumes of the rapid strides it has made despite formidable challenges the college has been faced with. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Dr. Josephine Daisy, the principal, the editorial team members- both staff and students in this creative effort. In keeping with its role and function of improving institutional excellence and ensuring continuous quality improvement, the IQAC at LCM has been witnessing phenomenal progress in terms of academic excellence and quality enhancement.

The salient features with regard to the focal themes place this first newsletter on a spot light. The focal themes of the newsletter are Independence Day of our country and International Day of Justice and included also in it are the brief reports about curricular and co-curricular activities held in the months of July and August. The pivotal common foundations on which our country's Independence Day and the principles upheld and promoted by International Day of Justice rest are equality, fraternity, justice, freedom, social responsibility, transparency and accountability and they are so integral to the vision of Jesuit Education; all these noble values and principles richly find their echoes in the motto of Jesuit Education, namely, preparing men and women for and with others. In this way, I find that the themes chosen for this newsletter are quite fitting and most suited to our socio-political and religio-cultural contexts.

The IQAC consciously keeps in mind two very fundamental aspects of Jesuit Education – Jesuit vision and our mission context - to determine the trajectory of our academic progress and the balance between the academic excellence and the character formation, the inalienable ingredients of integral formation. The mission context includes global challenges such as those arising from the fast-changing world characterized by 'Volatility, Uncertainty, Complexity, and Ambiguity'. All these have been true of our local context as well, a significant aspect which keeps beckoning us to continual discernment for meaningful and effective educational and social engagements. The IQAC of Loyola College Mettala diligently keeps in mind these contexts in all their deliberations to make a discerned decision on the sort of activities that deserve greater quality enhancement and taps accordingly resources available, both internal and external, for implementation of various programmes on a priority basis. May this project of periodical publication of IQAC Newsletter usher in quality and excellence in LCM and shape its academic future into a world-class portal of learning.



**Rev. Dr. Danis Ponniah SJ, PhD**  
Secretary

# REFLECTION

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”  
— Nelson Mandela

Dear Readers,

It gives me immense joy to share with you the first edition of the Loyola College, Mettala Newsletter, an initiative that reflects the vibrant life of our institution. This monthly publication is designed not only to highlight the activities and achievements of our College but also to draw our attention to the wider world by focusing on international days that call for reflection, awareness, and action.

The maiden issue brings together the months of July and August, and fittingly, it shines a light on days of profound global and national significance:

- World Day for International Justice (July 17) reminds us that justice is the cornerstone of peace and human dignity. As Mahatma Gandhi wisely said, “Justice that love gives is a surrender, justice that law gives is a punishment.” May our students be inspired to work towards a society rooted in fairness and compassion.
- International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples (August 9) teaches us to value diversity and preserve the wisdom of cultures that have sustained humanity in harmony with nature. In the words of Rigoberta Menchú, Nobel Peace Laureate, “We are not myths of the past, we are the people of the future.”
- Indian Independence Day (August 15) stands as a beacon of freedom and sacrifice for our nation. It reminds us of the courage, vision, and resilience of our freedom fighters who gifted us a sovereign India. As Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru proclaimed in his historic speech, “At the stroke of the midnight hour, when the world sleeps, India will awake to life and freedom.” May this day inspire our students to uphold the values of democracy, unity, and responsibility towards building a stronger nation.
- World Humanitarian Day (August 19) calls us to celebrate the spirit of selfless service. It reminds us that “The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others” (Mahatma Gandhi). May we nurture in our students the courage to extend a hand to the vulnerable and to uphold the dignity of every human life.

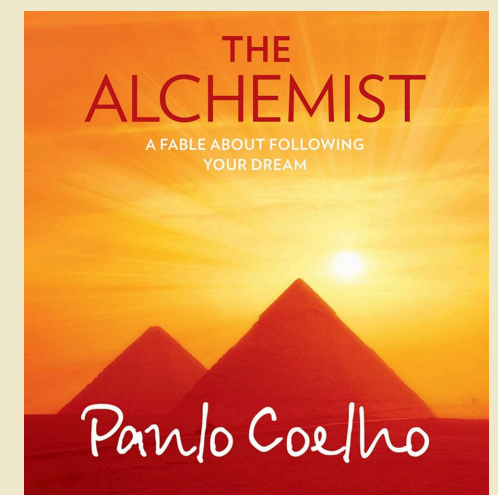
This newsletter is not merely a record of events, but a testament to our collective journey at Loyola College, Mettala. It is a reminder that education extends beyond the classroom—it is about shaping minds and hearts for a more just, inclusive, and compassionate world. I extend my sincere appreciation to the Editorial Team for their creativity and dedication in bringing this vision alive. Their effort will serve as a beacon of information, inspiration, and reflection for all of us. Let us continue to walk together in faith, knowledge, and service, always mindful of our responsibility to the larger human family.



**Dr. Josephine Daisy, PhD**  
Principal



# BOOK REVIEW



## **The Pursuit of One's Personal Legend: a Review of the Alchemist by Paulo Coelho**

"The Alchemist" is a renowned novel written by Paulo Coelho, first published in 1988. The novel follows the journey of Santiago, a young shepherd boy who embarks on a quest to find his Personal Legend. As Santiago encounters various characters and experiences during his journey, Coelho subtly weaves philosophical and spiritual themes throughout the narrative. This critical analysis aims to explore these themes and delve deeper into the novel's significance.

At the heart of "The Alchemist" lies the concept of the Personal Legend, representing an individual's true purpose or destiny in life. Coelho emphasizes the importance of listening to one's heart and pursuing dreams as a means to fulfill one's life. Discuss how this theme resonates with readers and prompts self-reflection and introspection. Throughout Santiago's journey, he encounters various omens and signs that guide him on his path. These are presented as messages from the universe, guiding individuals toward their Personal Legends. Analyze the role of omens and signs in the novel, and how they contribute to a deeper understanding of one's connection to the world and the concept of fate.

"The Alchemist" highlights the transformative power of a journey into the unknown. Explore how Santiago's quest is a metaphor for the pursuit of personal growth, self-discovery, and the embracing of challenges. Discuss how Coelho's depiction of the journey as inherently meaningful and valuable encourages readers to step out of their comfort zones.

Coelho incorporates alchemical and esoteric symbolism throughout the novel, adding depth and layers of meaning. Explore the significance of the different alchemical concepts presented, such as the Philosopher's Stone and the Elixir of Life. Analyze how these symbols contribute to the overall themes of personal transformation and the search for spiritual enlightenment.

Love and personal relationships play a significant role in Santiago's journey. From his love interest, Fatima, to his encounter with the Englishman, Coelho demonstrates the interconnectedness of human connection and its impact on personal growth. Discuss the various relationships portrayed in the novel and how they drive Santiago's pursuit of his Personal Legend.

Paulo Coelho's "The Alchemist" offers a thought-provoking, philosophical exploration of the human quest for purpose, fate, and spiritual fulfillment. By analyzing the novel's themes of personal legend, omens, journeys, symbolism, and love, readers gain a deeper understanding of Coelho's message. Ultimately, "The Alchemist" serves as a catalyst for readers to reflect on their own lives and embark on their own transformative journeys.

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# PAPER BOY

*Every day on the roll, no time to stay;  
Carrying a bundle of Paper loads.  
Reaching homes which are far away;  
Greeting the world along with birds.*



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*He wakes up when the world sleeps;  
He works for people to read the news.  
Dreams are heavy in his mind;  
But responsibilities are in front.*

*Sacrifices his valuable time at young age;  
Living a life like a bird in a cage.  
Prosperous dawn is still a darkest dream;  
Days are passing like a flowing stream.*

*He keeps his sorrows beneath cycle pedal;  
Push it on every time with a hopeful press.  
Breathing heavy, sweating hard and became dull;  
No time to stop and relax, his path is a mess.*

*He is living under a poverty wall;  
Life is not the same for all.*



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LOYOLA COLLEGE

# Campus Chronicles @ LCM



# JULY

## Cocoon to Caterpillar: Bridge Course 2025

The journey from school to college is often filled with excitement, curiosity, and a touch of anxiety. To ease this transition and to help students step confidently into the new phase of their academic life, Loyola College, Mettala organized a Bridge Course from 2<sup>nd</sup> July to 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025, under the symbolic theme “Cocoon to Caterpillar.” The program was carefully designed with the objective of equipping the first-year students with essential foundational skills required for their academic success. It served as a preparatory platform to familiarize them with the rhythm of higher education, bridging the gap between school learning and college-level expectations.

## Highlights of the Bridge Course

The English sessions emphasized Effective Communication and Writing Skills, helping students refine their vocabulary, grammar, and expression. Activities such as group discussions, interactive presentations, and creative writing exercises boosted their confidence in both written and spoken English. Tamil Sessions focused on Writing Practice and Language Proficiency, these sessions nurtured clarity of thought and expression in the mother tongue. Students engaged in exercises that strengthened both formal and creative aspects of writing, fostering bilingual competence. Each day, two hours were devoted to introducing basic concepts in the students’ respective major subjects. These sessions provided a sneak peek into core disciplines such as Commerce, Computer Science, Mathematics, English, and Tamil, enabling students to build a strong academic foundation before the commencement of regular classes. Beyond academics, the Bridge Course encouraged interactive learning, peer bonding, and confidence building. Students were motivated to adopt effective study habits, develop time management skills, and approach their college education with a growth mindset.

By the end of the program, students not only refreshed their language and subject knowledge but also developed a sense of belonging to the Loyola community. The Bridge Course thus lived up to its theme, gently guiding students from the cocoon of school life into the vibrant, expanding world of college a space where they will spread their wings and grow into confident, competent individuals.



## Eucharistic Celebration

A Holy Spirit mass was arranged as we embark the new academic year on 4th July 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the III Floor Auditorium to seek the blessings of the Almighty for a fruitful academic year and the well-being of all students and staff. The Mass was celebrated in a solemn and prayerful atmosphere, bringing together Catholic students, staff, and faculty. This is to invoke God’s guidance, wisdom, and protection for the academic journey ahead. The gathering served as a moment of spiritual reflection and unity, fostering a sense of peace and purpose among the attendees. The institution remains committed to nurturing not just academic excellence, but also the spiritual well-being of its community.





# JULY

## A Seminar on Knowledge of Accounting Software

Department of Commerce organized the Guest Lecture for the Academic Year 2025-26 at Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala, held on 08.7.2025 at 3.15 P.M in III Floor Auditorium. The resource persons emphasized the importance of learning Tally. They said that the tally is one of the most popular accounting software in the world and is used by more than 20 lakh businesses across 100 countries today. It helps companies record their day-to-day transactions and helps to analyze business-related data. This financial software is a product of ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) and is used for various financial accounting purposes. The Program has begun with Prayer song with faculty and students. Mr. K.G. Jeswin III B.Com delivered a Welcome Address. Finally Ms. Christy III B.Com has proposed the Vote of Thanks for the Guest lecture.

## Genesis 2K25

The grand celebration of Genesis 2K25—Fresher's Day—was held on July 9, 2025, at 2:00 PM in the Open-Air Arena of Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala. The event marked a warm and enthusiastic welcome to the newly admitted first-year students. The program commenced with a solemn prayer song, setting a graceful tone for the celebration. As a symbolic gesture, the first-year students were each handed a balloon and invited to release them into the sky, revealing the inspiring theme of the day: "Let Your Dreams Fly High." As a gesture of unity and celebration, the freshers were invited to cut a cake along with the dignitaries, symbolizing a sweet beginning to their college journey.



## Student Council Election

The Student Council Election for the academic year 2025–2026 was successfully organized at Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala. The election aimed to foster student leadership, ensure democratic participation, and identify deserving candidates for various council posts. The process was conducted transparently under the supervision of the Loyola Election Commission, adhering to the college's rules and regulations. The voting was conducted in a peaceful and orderly manner at the college portico on 16th July 2025. The interview process for selected positions was held on 17th and 18th July 2025 in the Principal's Office. The Student Council Election 2025–2026 was conducted with complete fairness, transparency, and active participation from students and faculty. The event served as a platform for nurturing future leaders of the college while reinforcing democratic values among the student community.





# JULY

## Investiture Ceremony

The Investiture Ceremony was conducted with great fervour and solemnity, marking a significant occasion to recognize and empower the newly elected Student Council members on 23rd of July, 2025 at 10.30 a.m. The ceremony continued with the Batch Pinning Ceremony, where the newly elected Student Council members were officially inducted. This was followed by the Oath-Taking Ceremony, led by the Principal, where the council members solemnly pledged their commitment to their roles and responsibilities. The much-awaited Chief Guest Address was delivered by Dr. Kavitha, Chair person, Rasipuram Municipality who congratulated the Student Council members for their new roles. Drawing inspiration from the Stone Age Farmers, she stressed that “Unity is Strength” and narrated the importance of working together. She encouraged students to cultivate extra-curricular skills, stay informed by reading newspapers, and prepare for competitive exams like TNPSC and SSC. Furthermore, she enlightened the students about the Naan Mudhalvan Scheme, encouraging them to make full use of the opportunities it provides for skill development and career enhancement.



## Inaugural of English Literary Association

The Department of English at Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized the Inauguration of the English Literary Association and Freshers' Day on 25th July 2025 at 10:00 AM in Remigius Hall. The event featured Dr. Grisha A L as the esteemed Resource Person, who delivered a thought-provoking lecture on the topic “Stories from the Edge: Reclaiming Space and Identity in North-East Indian Writing.” Mr. R. Lakshmikaandan, Head of the Department of English, introduced the new office bearers of English Literary Association. The event marked an engaging start to the academic year's literary activities and warmly welcomed the freshers into the department.



## Inauguration of Women Empowerment Cell

The Inauguration of the Women Empowerment Cell (WEC) at Loyola College of Arts & Science (Co-Ed.), Mettala, was held with great enthusiasm and participation on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at 2:00 PM in the III Floor Auditorium. The event was organized by the Dean of Women Students in collaboration with the faculty and student coordinators, with the aim of initiating activities that promote the empowerment and holistic development of women students. The most awaited part of the event was the Chief Guest Address by Dr. Grisha A.L, who spoke on the theme of “Mental Well-being of Modern Girls”. She began the session with an engaging activity that encouraged student participation and interaction. Emphasizing the importance of self-confidence, she urged the students to “stand for yourself” and reminded them that education is not just about academics, but about coming out, speaking up, and proving oneself. She inspired the audience to overcome hurdles through personal growth, to develop themselves professionally, and to embrace self-love, emotional awareness, and menstrual hygiene as essential aspects of well-being. Her insightful and motivational message deeply resonated with the audience, leaving a lasting impact.





# JULY

## Inauguration of Veeramamunivar Peravai

The Department of Tamil at Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized the Inauguration of Veeramamunivar Tamil Peravai and the Freshers' Welcome Ceremony on 28th July 2025 at 11:00 AM in the Auditorium. The event featured Mr. K. Selvaraj, Assistant Professor, Department of Tamil, Thiruvalluvar Government Arts College, Rasipuram, Namakkal District, as the Chief Guest. He delivered a special address on the theme: "Veeramamunivar: A Scholar Who Enriched Tamil Literature."



## Inauguration of GIGS

The Department of Computer Science at Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala, organized the GIGS Association Inauguration on 29th July 2025 at 9:30 AM in the college auditorium. The program commenced with a warm welcome to the dignitaries and participants. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. K. Tamizharasi, Assistant Professor, Govt Arts College, Sendamangalam, who served as the Resource Person. She delivered an insightful session on the topic "Enhance your Learning with AI Tool", highlighting the growing significance of artificial intelligence in modern education and how students can leverage it for effective learning. Their encouraging words motivated the students and faculty to continue striving for excellence in the field of computer science. The inauguration marked the beginning of a series of academic and co-curricular activities planned under the GIGS Association for the academic year, aimed at fostering technical knowledge and holistic development among students.



## Homage to St. Ignatius

On the solemn occasion of the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Jesuit Management, Faculty Members, and Non-Teaching Staff of our institution came together to offer a heartfelt tribute to the founder of the Society of Jesus on 30.07.2025 by 9.15 a.m. The homage began with a floral adoration, symbolizing our love and reverence for St. Ignatius. This act of devotion reminded us of his unwavering commitment to God and his tireless efforts in the service of humanity through education and spiritual formation. Following the floral tribute, Fr. Benedict Santhosh S.J shared profound Ignatian insights, reflecting on his timeless principles such as discernment, magis (striving for the greater good), and being men and women for and with others. These reflections renewed our collective sense of purpose and our dedication to carrying forward the Ignatian legacy in our daily work and interactions. The celebration culminated in a Holy Mass, where we gave thanks for the life and mission of St. Ignatius. The Eucharistic celebration served as a spiritual reminder of his call to "find God in all things" and reinforced our commitment to holistic education grounded in faith and justice. As we paid homage to St. Ignatius, we also renewed our own personal and institutional mission to form individuals who are intellectually competent, spiritually rooted, and socially responsible.





# AUGUST

## Healthy Millet Awareness Programme

Loyola College of Arts & Science, Mettala, organized a Healthy Millet Awareness Programme and Competition in collaboration with CJ Palazzio, Salem to promote the consumption of millets and educate students about their nutritional benefits. The event aimed to instill healthy food habits among the student community and recognize the role of millets in sustainable agriculture and well-being. Executive Chef Dr. Andrew K. Nagarajan visited Loyola College, Mettala, as the Chief Guest for a special culinary event focused on millet-based dishes prepared by our students.



## SHINE

The Department of Outreach, Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized the inauguration of the SHINE Extension Programme on 7th August 2025 at 9.30 am in the college auditorium. The programme commenced with the cordial invitation extended to staff, students, and guests. The Resource Person for the occasion was Mr. E.N. Surendran, B.E., President of Rotary Club, Rasipuram, and Former Divisional Manager & Head of Ashok Leyland Driver Training Institute, Namakkal. He shared his insights and experiences, motivating the students towards social responsibility and skill development. The programme was well coordinated by Mr. T. Edward Francis, Co-ordinator of SHINE. The inauguration marked the beginning of another chapter of Loyola's commitment towards outreach and extension activities for community development.



## Anti-Drug Club

The Anti-Drug Club of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized a Mass Pledge Event on 11th August 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the college auditorium. The event aimed to create awareness among students about the harmful effects of drug, alcohol, and tobacco consumption. Students and staff collectively took a solemn pledge to say "No to Drugs" and commit themselves to a healthy and responsible lifestyle. The programme reinforced the institution's commitment to nurturing a drug-free campus and instilling moral responsibility in young minds.





# AUGUST

## 11th Annual Sports Meet – 2K25

The 11th Annual Sports Meet – 2K25 of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala was held on 13th August 2025 at the college ground from 9:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The event was inaugurated with great enthusiasm in the presence of students, staff, and management. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Mr. Vijayakumar, DSP, Namakkal District, who inspired the students with his motivational address on discipline, dedication, and the importance of sports in shaping one's character. The Guest of Honour was Sr. A. Sagaya Clementine, FSAG, Headmistress of St. Joseph's GHSS, Salem, who encouraged the students to excel in both academics and sports, highlighting the role of physical fitness in overall development. The sports meet included various track and field events, Aerobic dance performance of St. Joseph's school students which were showcasing the athletic spirit, teamwork, and talents of the students. The programme reflected the college's commitment to fostering a healthy and competitive spirit among its students.



## Independence Day Celebration

As part of the Independence Day Celebrations, the Department of Tamil, Loyola College of Arts and Science, Mettala, organized Essay Writing, Drawing competitions and Extempore on 14th August 2025. The competitions were aimed at instilling patriotic values and encouraging students to express their views on freedom, national leaders, and India's progress. Many students actively participated, showcasing their creativity, knowledge, and eloquence in Tamil.

The winners were honored at the end of the program, and the event served as a platform to inspire students to uphold the spirit of independence and contribute positively to the nation.



## 79th Independence Day

The 79th Independence Day was celebrated with great patriotism and enthusiasm at Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, on 15th August 2025 at 8:30 a.m. in the College Portico. The celebration began with the unfurling of the National Flag, followed by the rendition of the National Anthem, filling the atmosphere with patriotic fervor. The event was organized by the NCC Air Wing, showcasing discipline and dedication through a parade and salute to the flag. The Secretary, Vice-principal of academics, staff, and students participated actively in the programme, which included inspiring speeches on the significance of independence, cultural performances, and patriotic songs presented by the students. The event highlighted the values of unity, freedom, and responsibility towards the nation. The celebration concluded with a pledge to uphold national integrity and contribute to the progress of the country.





# AUGUST

## Commerce Association and Freshers' Day

The Department of Commerce of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized the Inauguration of Commerce Association and Freshers' Day. The Chief Guest of the event was Mr. P. Dhanasekaran, B.Sc., M.A., M.B.A., Deputy Commissioner (GST), Tamil Nadu Commercial Taxes Department, Salem Division, who addressed the gathering with an inspiring talk on commerce, economy, and student development. Dr. J. Josephine Daisy, Principal, felicitated the function, while Mr. J. Lourdus Rajeev, Head, Department of Commerce, and Dr. A. Kayalvizhi, Assistant Professor & Organising Secretary, coordinated the programme. The event welcomed freshers warmly and marked the beginning of a new academic year filled with learning and growth.



## Clickathon

The Loyola Student Council of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized a photography competition titled "Clickathon" on 20th August 2025 at 11:15 a.m. in the Dean Office. The theme of the competition was "Frames of Loyola", encouraging students to capture unique and memorable moments of campus life. Participants showcased their creativity and storytelling skills through photographs that reflected the vibrancy of the institution. The event, with the tagline "Freeze the Moment, Frame the Story"



provided a platform for budding photographers to express their talent and perspective. It was a memorable initiative that celebrated both art and campus culture.

## Independence Day Literary Competitions

The Departments of English and Tamil of Loyola College of Arts and Science Mettala, in collaboration organized Independence Day Literary Competitions on 23rd August 2025 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The events included a Drawing Competition on the theme "India I Dream as a Young Voter" and an Essay Writing Competition on the theme "I am 17 – Ready to Register, Ready to Vote." These competitions encouraged students to creatively express their patriotic spirit and civic responsibility as young citizens of India. The programme was well-received, with enthusiastic participation from students, and it successfully highlighted the importance of democracy, youth involvement, and national pride.



## Disaster Management

The Institution's Innovation Council & Road Safety Club of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, organized a One Day Orientation Programme on Disaster Management on 25th August 2025 at 1:40 p.m. in the College Auditorium. The Resource Person of the programme was Mr. V. Palagararamasamy, Station Fire Officer, Rasipuram, who delivered an informative session on various aspects of disaster preparedness, prevention, and management. His insights on fire safety measures, emergency response, and the role of citizens in crisis situations provided practical knowledge to the students. The programme was convened by Mr. J. Amuthan, Vice Principal (Administration) and felicitation offered by Dr. Josephine Daisy J (Principal). The orientation helped students understand the importance of disaster management and equipped them with the awareness needed to respond effectively in emergencies.



# AUGUST



## Fine Arts - Overall Winners

The Fine Arts Team of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed), Mettala, brought laurels to the institution by emerging as the Overall Winner at the Inter-Collegiate Meet hosted by Jayarani College, Salem. The students showcased remarkable talent, creativity, and team spirit, securing top positions in various events. This victory stands as a proud moment for the college, reflecting the dedication and hard work of the participants. Congratulations to all the winners for their outstanding performance.



## Department of Commerce - Overall Winners

On 25th August 2025, students from the Department of Commerce of Loyola College of Arts and Science (Co-Ed) made an outstanding mark by securing the Overall Championship at the inter-departmental competitions hosted at Vivekanandha Arts and Science College for Women.

With enthusiastic participation, team spirit, and exceptional talent, the Commerce students showcased their skills across various events and emerged as the top-performing department. The students were awarded the overall championship trophy in a grand ceremony, as seen in the group photo taken with faculty members and event coordinators. The department expresses sincere gratitude to the faculty members and management for their continued support and encouragement. Congratulations to all the participants and winners for bringing glory to the department.



## AISHE

Loyola College of Arts and Science successfully submitted the data for the All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) for the survey year 2024–2025.







# CAMPUS MINISTRY

On 4 July, the Campus Ministry team prepared for the first Friday Mass. Rev. Fr Alex Prabhu, Headmaster of St Paul's Hr Sec. School, Salem celebrated the Eucharist.

In addition, the daily morning prayer was on Ignatian themes and always began with vernacular hymns on Ignatian values composed by Jesuits. Student volunteers led the morning prayer prepared by the Director of Campus Ministry.

On 30 July, the feast Mass of St Ignatius was celebrated in earnest by the Catholic staff and students Loyola College, Mettala. All the Jesuit priests of LCM, concelebrated the Holy Eucharist. On the same day, the college staff and students paid homage to St Ignatius. The Jesuit priests sang, 'Noble Knight', a hymn sung to honour the memory of St Ignatius of Loyola. The rendition by the Jesuit administration received warm acknowledgement. In the evening of the same day, there was Benediction, followed by dinner for the religious and clergy of the neighbourhood. Rev. Fr Superior printed cards with the prayer for generosity and distributed among staff, students and the ecclesial guests from the neighbourhood.

The Campus Ministry team coordinates the weekly Tuesday litany to Our Lady in collaboration with the Women's & Men's Hostel.

In July, the Campus Ministry team organized the Novena to St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Founder of the Society of Jesus, with deep devotion and reverence. As part of this spiritual preparation, the Campus Ministry led the faithful in special prayers, invoking his intercession for the growth and well-being of our institution and community.

Through these initiatives, the Campus Ministry not only honoured the legacy of St. Ignatius but also provided meaningful opportunities for students and staff to nurture their inner life, foster spiritual growth, and embrace the Ignatian spirit of "finding God in all things".

Rev. Fr Superior and the Director of Campus Ministry organized a one-day orientation cum team building activity for the members of the Campus Ministry team at Yercaud. For many, this was an opportunity to rest and rejuvenate after the hustle and bustle of rigorous academic work. They explored the distinctive elements of Jesuit higher education and the focal role played by Campus Ministry towards this goal, through team activities. There was a collective will to form men & women for others in and through Campus Ministry at Loyola College, Mettala.







# MOMENTS IN FRAME



I Prize in Carrom  
CM Trophy

Runners Up in Basketball  
CM Trophy



III Prize in Kabaddi  
CM Trophy

Guest Performance  
by St. Joseph's School,  
Sooramangalam







# MOMENTS TO CELEBRATE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## Faculty Birthday

**Fr. Antony Markus SJ**  
**Mr. Amuthan J**  
**Mr. Mohan G**  
**Ms. Kavitha S**  
**Mr. Ruban Chandrapaul M**  
**Mr. Arul Britto S**  
**Ms. Catherine Divaina L**  
**Ms. Manimegalai S**  
**Ms. Selvarani R**  
**Mr. Mario Cassion Anand A**  
**Ms. Kayalvizhi A**  
**Mr. Edward Francis T**  
**Ms. Glory Angel B**  
**Mr. Arun**



# MOMENTS TO CELEBRATE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## Students Birthday

GOWRI PANDI T	B.Com. (CA)	MONIKA M	B.Com.
SARAN M	B.Com. (CA)	SHAMITHA S	B.Com.
VINOTHINI D	B.Com. (CA)	MALAVIKA S	Comp. Sci
VIJITHA S	B.Com. (CA)	THAMARAISELVAN E	Mathematics
VIVEKA S	Comp. Sci	ARUN KUMAR A	Tamil
KEERTHANA M	AI & DS	MONISH R	Tamil
BUVAN S	AI & DS	RENUKADEVI M	Tamil
PONMUGILAN J	AI & DS	ANBARASAN T	B.B.A.
RENOLD JEFRINE M	AI & DS	GOPINATH S	B.B.A.
SREESANTH C	AI & DS	GOWSALYA S	B.B.A.
ARISH A	B.C.A.	RAJESHWARI R	B.B.A.
JANANI K	B.C.A.	DEVANANDH M	B.C.A.
KANAGALINGAM V	B.C.A.	INBARASAN M	B.C.A.
DEEPAK A	B.C.A.	JOHN BRITTO A	B.C.A.
KARTHIKA M	B.B.A.	RAKESH V	B.C.A.
BENADICT ANTONY L	B.B.A.	SANTHURU D	B.C.A.
BARANIDHARAN S	B.B.A.	DAVID A	B.Com.
DEEPAN M	B.B.A.	KABILAN N	B.Com.
DHEENARAV P	B.B.A.	KAVIN C	B.Com.
JEEVA ANAND B	B.B.A.	KAVIN J	B.Com.
JEGADHEEP M	B.B.A.	KISHORE A	B.Com.
PRASANTH K	B.B.A.	SABAREESHWARAN A	B.Com.
THIRUVALAVAN V	B.B.A.	SAM DANIEL J	B.Com.
DHAYANITHI C	B.C.A.	CHRISTY C	B.Com.
HAJINASH B	B.C.A.	THARANEESHWARAN M	B.Com. (A&F)
HARIHARAN S	B.C.A.	ARASI R	B.Com. (A&F)
JAWAHAR R	B.C.A.	JENIFER A	B.Com. (A&F)
KARPAGAM V	B.C.A.	PAVITHRA M	B.Com. (A&F)
KAVISRI R	B.C.A.	NITHISH L	Chemistry
ELAYAVAN T	B.Com.	SATHISH K	Chemistry
KANISHQ D	B.Com.	KAVIPRIYA P	Chemistry
MOHANRAJ K	B.Com.	NANTHA A	Comp. Sci
ROKITH S	B.Com.	SAGAYA LIBIN P	Comp. Sci
KAVILA A	B.Com.	MEGANA P	Comp. Sci



# MOMENTS TO CELEBRATE



## Students Birthday

NISHANTHI K  
VINOtha K  
SIVAKUMAR M  
NASEEBA M  
RAVINDHAR BARATHI T  
VINOThINI G  
SASIDHARAN R  
DEEPThI A  
JAYAVARSHA P  
NITHISH J  
SANJAY P  
SHIVENDRA ROHIT S  
SRITHAR A  
HABEEBA SHAMREEN N  
BARANISH G  
SARAN KUMAR S B  
SRIKANTH P  
AJAY JAISON A  
POOMANI S  
RITHISH S  
TAMILAZHAGAN V  
CHANDRU R  
ANBARASU R  
DEVISRI NS  
SUGANTHI S  
ARUL ANTONY M  
HARIRAMAN G  
SUBRAMANIASIVA R  
AKASH M

Comp. Sci  
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English  
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Mathematics  
Tamil  
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B.Com.  
B.Com. (CA)  
B.Com. (CA)  
B.Com. (CA)  
AI & DS  
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Comp. Sci  
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Comp. Sci  
B.C.A.  
TAMIL  
B.B.A.  
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B.C.A.  
B.C.A.  
B.C.A.  
B.Com.

ELVAKUMAR M  
SUNDARAMOHAN T  
VISHNU C  
MONIKA P  
KANTHASAMY A  
SANTHOSH I  
SRIPONNAR S  
PRIYADHARSHINI A  
RENUGADEVI M  
LOGU M  
ANTO L  
NITHISH M  
PARTHA SARATHI L  
NICHOLAS A  
NAVEEN P  
POOVARASAN S  
RANJITHAM T  
BHARATHIPRIYA S  
SUBASH R  
BOOMIKA S  
NATHIYA M  
CHRISLIEN BARANI D  
NETHAJI S  
PARTHIBANRAO H  
SELVAKKANNAN S

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B.Com.  
B.Com. (A&F)  
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