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I have come into the world
as light, so that whoever
believes in me may not
remain in darkness."

-John 12:46



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The Society of Pilar, July 2, 1939

“We would rather obey God, than human beings”

82 years ago, on July 2, 1939, a new religious movement, known as Society of the Missionaries of St. Francis Xavier was born in Goa. There may have been rare precedents where the call to follow Jesus was simultaneously tied to one's loyalty to a nation, not in a narrow sense but in much wider sense of proclaiming the good news to that land.

Francisco Jasso Sequeira and Conceicao Rodrigues were all of 22 and 19 years, when they responded to the call of God, in 1931 which they truly interpreted as “give India to Christ and Christ to India”. Their response reflected the call of the Pope Leo XIII in 1893,

later referred to by the Apostolic Delegate in 1921, **“Your own sons of India, will be the minsters of salvation”**. Unlike other responses to proclaim Jesus to the world, this has specific connotations. This had that filial affection to India as her sons, and therefore demanded special approach of advocacy, adaptation and immersion as key elements of solidarity with the fellow Indians. The uniqueness of that challenge was to profess their allegiance to India, their Motherland, as part of God's plan to share with India the Good News. This call to serve India demanded that they make the universal aspiration of all Indians, to seek freedom from foreign rule, as their own, and a part of the core message of the Gospel – equality and freedom from all types of oppression, due to God's children.

They were treading dangerous ground because any idea of engagement with India was considered treason. But the call of Jesus to bring the Good News of Love and Brotherhood brooked no hesitation. It was a historic moment, where they were called

to demonstrate that the call of Jesus does not come clad in cultural identities of any particular culture. That was a frontier idea, whose time had not yet come, and therefore highly perilous.

Armed with their firm resolve to follow God's call, whatever the cost, they appealed to the Head of the Church in Goa, in 1934, to allow them to start a new missionary society. The Patriarch accepted the idea, but decided to direct their proposal to revive a quasi defunct association of priests founded in 1887, which



by 1936 had ceased to exist. The Patriarch meant well, but the young pioneers were caught between their compulsion to follow God's call and risk approval, or join the old association as the

Patriarch wanted and literally betray their inspiration. They humbly surrendered to the will of God and decided like the apostles, **“We must obey God rather than human beings.”** (Act.5, 29)

The Society of the Missionaries of St. Francis Xavier, was started in 1887, and by 1936 it had become extinct. The last Superior General, as members were free to do, retired and died at home. A sole member survived. The arguments that the association of 1887 was a religious one, contradict obvious facts: In a religious society (i) the Superior can be appointed/elected only for 12 consecutive years, and this one was for 40 years, till his death. (ii) Allegiance in a religious Society is permanent, after an initial temporary period, and here any one could leave whenever he wanted, and even the Superior General retired and died at home, and so too other members. (iii) The unique character of a religious Society is its internal authority (General Chapter); it does not allow the Bishop's interference, whereas here, the Bishop even decided

where members could go for a walk and who they could talk to; this is complete denial of internal authority; (iv) The members could earn money and use it as they wished to, since they had no vow of poverty. There was complete absence of core religious elements.

“New Wine, in New Wineskins”

Jesus was repeatedly challenged to water down His teachings to suit the practices of the Pharisees, but he firmly stated that the new Law allowed no such compromises, as it would destroy both. He taught: ***“And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins, the wine will spill, and the wineskins will be ruined. Instead, new wine is poured into new wineskins.”*** (Lk. 5 37-38). The call of the Gospel demands an unqualified response and Jesus stated that there was no place for compromise.

For 4 years they were pulled, pushed, cajoled to change their resolve to form a new Society, and join the quasi defunct one. Our pioneers did not yield ground, and presented their own draft of Constitutions, early in 1935. They also came up with a God inspired, brilliant proposal to the Patriarch requesting him, to appoint the only surviving member of the old Society as their Superior (as a temporary measure). Thus the spectre of joining the old Society evaporated, the members gained the confidence of the Patriarch who agreed to approve their plan to start “new Society of St. Francis Xavier Pilar” on 30.11.1938, and on June 3, 1939, appointed a Novice Master in addition to the Superior. The solemn inauguration took place on July 2, 1939 and the first Superior was appointed by the General Chapter (not by the Bishop) in 1940. There are three identifying requirements in a religious society: **the spiritual, the legal and the functional.**

The spiritual requirement: (i) the founders have to be inspired and have to be able to express the clarity of their resolve to the Church; (ii) they have to

be able to gather members who share the same belief, and (iii) have to pass the test of their resolve; (a) From 1931 to 1938, the Founders prayed, reflected, sought spiritual direction about their calling and justified through documented correspondence everything they considered specific to their calling; **(b)** They gathered members who shared the same resolve; **(c)** and they remained firm in their resolve from 1931 to 1938, when finally the Patriarch approved their decision.

The Legal requirement: (i) **The inspiration has to be approved by the Church as a genuine inspiration of the Holy Spirit;** (ii) **this is not done, merely by the approval of the Constitutions but by a formal erection (official confirmation) that the Constitutions have been approved under the definite Canons of the Canon Law 673-681,** which means that no longer the inspiration received by the founders is a private one, but is officially approved by the Church as a true calling, as a genuine **“Charism”** (God’s Gift of Love), and can be followed by others as a genuine path for holiness and the Society a canonical and permanent entity. Because **“Charism”** is Divine Reality (Bonum Divinum) it is not subject to majority ruling or prescription of time. (Can. . 199, # 3).

The Functional requirement: (i) the Society has to have a permanent and official Sedis (house) not a temporary; (ii) an internal authority (Gen. Chapter); and (iii) means of sustenance.

The birth of this new Society was unique, and a specific need of the hour, - to exist and proclaim the Gospel, by “giving Christ to India, and India to Christ”, in a foreign occupied territory, inimical to India, which demanded a robust vision and loads of courage. They demonstrated it right from the inception: (i) establishing a seminary for the whole of India; (ii) introducing the study of the Indian languages and religions in the curriculum; (iii) using symbols and names that clearly identified it with India, and (iv) risking

life and reputation to state that the heralds of the Gospel cannot be compelled to toe a political line that is contrary to the legitimate aspirations of the people for political freedom, as true right of God's children.

“Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free”

The history of mankind's reformers, founders of religious movements has always been that of persecution. Jesus too faced the same situation with the Pharisees opposing him at every level. “*To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free”*” (Jn. 8, 31-32). And when the pharisees continued to oppose him, in exasperation he said to them: “*Why do you not understand what I am saying? It is because you cannot hear My word. (Jo 8.43)*”.

Neuroscientists explain that our selective opposition to some things which are evident, is almost automatic, what they call a “sensation”, which comes as a result, not of reasoning but from the layering that has been formed in our sub-conscious, and unknown to us. A clear example is when we are asked : what is 2 and 2, and we quickly say 4. The response is not the result of an effort by the mind but a ‘sensation’, so too it happens when we like or dislike someone, or we hold on to a point of view or stand against it. Rationalization to justify our position, happens much later, but even here, the key compelling signal to see something as ‘perception’ or as truth, comes from what has unconsciously been layered deep inside us. Thus we see different situations/objects/persons as perception/truth, good/bad, etc. Unless we are critical and open ourselves to God we will continue to see situations as ‘perceptions’ and continue to deny the “truth”.

In a dialogue situation, where people seek the truth, a ‘perception’ that refuses to believe facts is no longer perception, it is the abject denial of “truth”. Very prominent Advocates of the “Sacra Romana Rota” (Signatura), clearly

state: “**It must be considered as certain and undisputed fact that the Decree no 65 of 1946 issued by the Patriarch Jose de Costa Nunes, is the real Decree of Canonical Erection of the Missionaries of St. Francis Xavier. In fact we read; “ Constituitur ...Societas ...ad normam canonis 673-681... With it the definitive constitutions were also promulgated”.**” They further stated: “**...it is equally undeniable that as regards the substance, there is a radical severance between the two Societies. The severance points are: the Founders, Origin, profound difference of the inspiration, of the ideals (vision), objectives, of the aim and the means, of actions and of traditions which are both distinct and distant”.**

It is necessary to find out, **where did our Society get its consciousness from, and when.** If we instead insist on our perception, because we cannot delink from our past, we could well merit what Jesus told the disbelieving jews ‘**you cannot hear my word**’. To “Bring Christ to India, and India to Christ” , we need a response that becomes the strength, innovation and the commitment, that wells up from within us – such as the Founders of July 2, 1939, present to us: faithful, fearless, formidable and free to serve the Lord.

The Central Assembly helped us to see that Call, but the strength has to come from the belief – such that gave the Founders of 1939, the strength so standup firm and go ahead. The certainty of our belief will drive the intensity of our response, as St. Paul states: “**I have had a good fight, I have finished the race, and I have kept the faith** (that the Lord had called me to); **as for the rest I know that the Lord, the Good Judge will grant me the crown of glory that He has promised to all those who love Him**” (2 Tim. 4, 7) July 2, 2021

-Fr. Jose Alarico Carvalho

A New Life

-Christine D'Sylva

At the end of your life, you will be judged by your love

-St John of the Cross

From Christ and in Christ, we have been born through the spirit in order to bear the fruit of life

- St Cyril of Alexandria

New life is a revival or a rebirth of life.

Christianity has always emphasised on new life. This is depicted in the first sacrament Baptism, which signifies the first step in our new life as a Christian. Water is the symbol of baptism and new life. It is used by the priest during baptism to represent healing and cleansing.

Churches have holy water in a font and we dip our fingers in this holy water and make the sign of the Cross. This helps us to renew our sinful hearts and enter the sacred house of God in a spirit of holiness.

In the Bible we learn that at the well, Jesus met the Samaritan woman.

He asks her for water and tells her later he would give her living water which would last forever. She was leading a sinful life. But Jesus took pity on her and wanted to show her that the old life could be washed away by following him into a brand new way of living that would fill her with joy and peace.

Easter is often celebrated by the symbol of the Easter egg and little chickens.

The Egg became a symbol of life because it encloses a nascent life to emerge from it. The egg embodies the idea of rebirth and rejuvenation in the cycle of life. Notice an egg seems to have neither a beginning nor an end. This denotes the cycle of life.

Often in Christianity one hears the term born again.

This might be confusing for people but what it means is that our inner spirit is being brought into a new relationship with God through the

sacrifice of His son, Jesus Christ.

When you have decided to commit your life sincerely to Christ, there are several things that happen.

One is Redemption of sin where you are forgiven of your sins. This is done by the sacrament of confession that we must regularly partake of.

We are also cleansed because Jesus came on earth to die for our sins and thus he saved us. His kindness and pity has washed away our sins and gives us new life by the dwelling of the Holy Spirit within us.

We are also regenerated. By the sacrament of baptism, we are born now of the Spirit and water and this helps us to enter the kingdom of God.

We are reminded that in our new life, we are at peace with God not at war with him. Also we are now officially his children and our relationship should be one of love and not fear and hate. We obey him not because of fear but because we love him. True love is not doing good deeds out of fear of hell and damnation. True love for God is being the best we can because he is our Father and we love and respect him and his Word. It is our duty to help build our Christian community by service and doing good to others. Attending regular mass, receiving the sacraments and as parents bringing up children according to God's Holy Word are our duties that have to be taken seriously.

In our new life, we also feel a happy feeling of oneness and acceptance. God the Father receives us with love and treats us as special.

Finally we are reassured by Christ of Eternal life in Heaven where we will meet God for the first time face to face.

Jesus Christ said, "I say emphatically that anyone who listens to my message and believes in God who sent me has eternal life, and will never be damned for his sins, but has already passed out of death into life."

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The Mighty Spirit Within Us

- Ibonio D'Souza

There is more to you than meets the eye; it's your soul. I cannot see it, and neither can you, but we can feel it. Your greatness lies in the spirit that waits patiently within your being. If you have yet to tap into it or listen carefully to what it tells you in the face of decisions, that is the reason your dreams seem so elusive.

Many people tell me they do not know if they have a soul, and others who think they might but have no real grounds for their belief. Let us understand it this way:

The brain thinks and visualizes through chemical responses, the heart pumps blood, and our lungs help us breathe. It appears very technical, scientific, and easy to explain our physical existence. But have you ever wondered who is observing the surroundings you see with your eyes? Who is controlling your body? Who is aware that you are thinking?

It is your spirit that is in control. We cannot see it, but we can feel it every day, and it is the Voice we are in constant conversation with. That is why when our soul passes on from this earth we are no longer able to control our body. Poet and philosopher, Khalil Gibran observed: "Man struggles to find life outside himself, unaware that the life he is seeking is within him."

Once you let that conscious voice take over your life, that deep wisdom that is quite aware and knows what is right for you, then you will discover your greatness. It is an invisible force that lies deep within you, the person you know you really are. A mighty spirit lies within all of us and that is why many men and women have defied the odds throughout history.

Every single person has a great calling and purpose in life that no one else is called to do. We are all designed to fill a spot that no one else can fill. When every person realizes that, they live the life of their dreams.

The human spirit is so fascinating and infinite that it overcomes what society would regard as impossible. We have seen it throughout history. One man can change the course of the whole world and implement a revolution; we can survive under the most horrific situations, or create what would have once been perceived as unbelievable.

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One man in our times, in particular, was Nelson Mandela, a perfect example that man's will is far greater than all the odds put against him. He created a passion so strong that he was able to successfully rally for peace and equal rights, which was a major part of the fall of apartheid in South Africa.

Mandela grew up with hardly any of the resources we have today, and he was repressed by white supremacists. Because of his vision to help his people, he was jailed for twenty seven long

years. How many of us would have endured even half of his challenges for six months or a year? His greatest pleasure and most private moment was watching the sun set with the music of Handel or Tchaikovsky playing. That was denied him in prison.

After release from jail, Mandela was elected president of South Africa. This is one story of many about how the human spirit is used to utmost glory. We seem to forget that we are human and have that same spirit within us. When one has a compelling vision, determination to overcome any obstacles, and, most important, a passion for life, the possibilities are endless. These are Mandela's own wisdom-soaked words: "There is no passion to be found playing small - in settling for a life that is less than one you are capable of living."

(The writer is the author of the widely read motivational tome: "Rise And Shine...the lotus way", and a social activist)

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Thus when we say, "Christ saved me.", it really means all the above things.

In the Corinthians we find the verse about new beginnings and new life, "Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone and a new life has begun."

This new life is one filled with God's promises and love. Life is seen with a pair of new eyes. It has a spiritual dimension to it that makes us live life joyfully, walking with Christ.

The New Year speaks of new beginnings. Actually each day of our life is like a new beginning and a new chapter. We are authors of our own lives to a great extent. We are called by Christ to write on the pages of our lives with joyful hearts, secure that we have new life in Him and we can be filled with hope for a brighter future.

Finally let us conclude with the reassuring words of St Joan of Arc, "I fear nothing for God is with me!"

Children

Children, a gift of God, on earth nonpareil,
To make all our joys, more deeply feel;
With their tiny fists and their perfect tho' tiny toes,
Making us forget all our woes
And believe, that we in our arms,
Are cradling a miracle-
That nothing in this world so fickle
Can hold a candle to.
It is a pleasure to see them grow
Take their first steps and lisp out their first words;
Fulfilling, to teach them the love and fear of God,
Mingled with a sense of fun;
And a reverence for the Word.
They keep our spirits up and make us laugh
And help us face mockers that scoff
At any hint of excellence.
All too soon, we have to untie the apron strings,
And to fly the nest, give them wings;
At peace, in the hope, that God in His mercy
Will their paths oversee,
So that goodness will grow
Like ripples in the stream.

-Sandra Kay



Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues College of Engineering

Report On Faculty Development Programme On “Essentials Of Linux System Administration”

Jointly organized by department of Computer Engineering, department of Information Technology and department of Electronics and Computer Science

Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues College of Engineering, Bandra, Mumbai, conducted a National level two days Faculty Development Program on “Essentials of Linux System Administration” on 16th & 17th April 2021. The FDP was jointly organized by the departments of Computer Engineering, Information Technology & Electronics and Computer Science in collaboration with technology partner SYBGEN.

Owing to the COVID19 situation the entire FDP was managed and hosted on an online platform via video conferencing. Around 113 participants from across India actively participated in the FDP and learnt Linux system administration learning with hands-on experience. The recordings of the sessions were uploaded on Google drive and shared with the participants. Unlike face to face sessions, the advantage of conducting online FDP was the unbounded reachability and opportunity for the participants to hear from international speakers.

FDP Theme:

Linux has a significant strength in the computing industry. Most of the web servers, mobile phones, personal computers, supercomputers, and cloud servers are powered by Linux. Linux is an open-source operating system that provides features like high security, reliability, and stability, dominating the server market. The cutting-edge technologies like Cloud Services, IoT, and DevOps tools require a good hold on Linux system administration. This FDP was aimed to train faculty from different streams on skills required to manage and administer Linux machine and provide practical hands-on skills. Linux system administration is one of the most in-demand skills in the IT industry.

FDP Objectives:

- To help faculty gain Linux systems administration skills and have a deep understanding of Linux fundamentals and concepts. More importantly, they will be able to put those concepts to use in practical, real-world situations.
- To prepare faculty to automate daily tasks by writing Shell Scripts.
- To help the faculty attain essential knowledge of Linux System which will increase their productivity and help prepare for subjects like Cloud Computing, IoT, DevOps, Ethical Hacking, Digital Forensics and many more.

FDP Outline:

- Linux System Architecture
- Linux Filesystems, Filesystem Hierarchy Standard
- Linux System Administration Commands
- Essential System Services
- Networking Fundamentals
- Linux Package Management
- Shells, Scripting and Data Management
- Linux Server Administration: Configuring LAMP stack

Resource Persons:

- Mr. Paresh Chalke - Sr. DevOps Engineer, Disney Streaming Services Stockport, England, United Kingdom.
- Dr. Gautam Borkar – Associate Professor, Ramrao Adik Institute of Technology, Mumbai.
- Prof. Mahendra Mehra – Assistant Professor, Fr. Conceicao Rodrigues College of Engineering, Mumbai.

Technology Sponsors:

SYBGEN was our technology sponsor who provided an opportunity to all the participants of this Two days FDP to get certified as Linux system Administrator for the course offered by SYBGEN.

Feedback:

At the end of each session feedback was collected

Agnel Happenings

form the participants using Google form. The response received was amazing. Most of them praised the structure and contents of the programme and the way things were coordinated and communicated. They were unanimous in acknowledging the knowledge of the speakers.

Acknowledgement:

We extend our sincere thanks to the Management, Principal, Head of all the departments and

entire CRCE staff for their constant support and guidance. Special thanks to our technology partner SYBGEN for providing an opportunity to all the participants of this FDP to get certified as Linux system Administrator for the course offered by Sybgen. Last but not the least, we thank our entire organizing committee without whose hard work and support this program would not be a success.

DAY	SESSION AND TIME	TOPIC COVERED	RESOURCE PERSON
Day1: 16th April 2021, Friday	9:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Introduction to Linux · Installation · Filesystem Hierarchy Standards Linux Command line: · Basic commands · Working with the Bash Shell, Bash History · Working with Files & Directories · Piping and Redirection, Finding Files (grep, find) · Read and Set Environmental and Shell Variables · User and Group Management · Managing File Permissions	Prof. Mahendra Mehra, Certified Linux Trainer Assistant Prof. Fr. CRCE, Mumbai
	11:00 am to 11:15am	Session Break	
	11:15 AM to 1:00PM	System Administration Tasks: · System and Process Monitoring and Management · Scheduling Jobs · Managing storage devices · Mounting Devices · Working with Links · Creating Backups · Setting Up System Logging	Prof. Mahendra Mehra, Certified Linux Trainer Assistant Prof. Fr. CRCE, Mumbai
	1:00 pm to 2:00 pm	1. Setting Up Rsyslog 2. Common Log Files and Setting Up Logrotate	
Lunch Break			
	2:00 PM to 04:00 PM	Managing Software: · Understanding Packages · Installing packages offline · Installing packages online · Uninstalling packages · Managing Repositories Connecting to the Network: · Understanding Network Manager · Working with Services and Run levels · Configuring the Network with Network Manager · Networking from the Command Line · Troubleshooting Networking · Setting Up IPv6, Configuring SSH, Enabling the SSH Server, Using the SSH Client.	Mr. Gautam M. Borkar Associate Professor, CSE Dept RAIT, Mumbai RHEL Certified professional, CCNA certified and DevNet Certified

Prof. Dipalikoshti hosting the event and introducing the speaker Prof. Mahendramehra to the audience

Invited Speakers for Two day FDP on “Essentials of Linux System Administration”

Day2: 17th April 2021, Saturday	9:00 AM TO 11:00 AM	Install Linux, Apache, MySQL, PHP (LAMP) stack on Linux Machine: Installing Apache and Updating the Firewall Installing MySQL Installing Php Setting Up Virtual Hosts Testing PHP Processing on your WebServer Install and Secure php MyAdmin Running ademo web application.	Prof. Mahendra Mehra, CertifiedLinux Trainer Assistant Prof. Fr. CRCE, Mumbai
	11:00 AM to 11:15 AM	Session Break	

	11:15 AM to 01:00 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shell Scripting • Intro to Bash Scripting Variables, Control Structures, and Arithmetic • Handling UserInput 	Mr. Paresh Chalke Sr Dev Ops Engineer at Disney Streaming Services Stockport, England, United Kingdom
	1:00 PM to 02:00 PM	Lunch Break	
	2:00 PM to 04:00 PM	Advanced Shell Scripting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating Functions • Introducing sed and awk Regular Expressions 	Mr. Paresh Chalke, Sr. Dev Ops Engineer at Disney Streaming Services Stockport, England, United Kingdom
	4:00 PM to 04:30 PM	Valedictory	

Padre Conceicao College of Engineering, Verna- Goa

Aarush 2021 – International Industry-Institute Convention

The 6th edition of the annual international convention “Aarush 2021” was organised at Padre Conceição College of Engineering (PCCE) in association with the P.C.C.E. Institute Innovation Council. The theme for this year was “Innovation and Entrepreneurship – Challenge you limits and conquer your dreams”. The event was held in virtual mode on 21st and 22nd April 2021.

Mr. Vijay Thomas, CEO & Founder, Tangentia, Canada was the keynote speaker at the Inaugural

event. The convention also hosted an Innovative Project Competition sponsored by Goa’s leading solar company Sun 360, judged by Mr. Anish Souza, CEO of Sun 360 and Mr. Gary Sequeira, Senior designer Engineer at Sun 360.

Several highly engaging webinars were conducted during the 2 days, namely;

- “IPR and IP management for Start-ups” by Dr. Saba V. M. Da Silva, Professor & Principal VVM’s G. R. Kare College of Law, Goa.

The banner for the Aarush 2021 event features a blue and yellow color scheme. At the top, it identifies the host as Padre Conceicao College of Engineering and the Institute Innovation Cell. The event title 'AARUSH 2021' is prominently displayed in large white letters on a blue background, with the date 'APRIL 22, 2021, 2-4 PM' and format 'ONLINE - MS TEAMS' below it. The main theme is 'BUSINESS INNOVATION CHALLENGES DURING A PANDEMIC', described as a panel discussion with entrepreneurs and innovators. Six speakers are featured with circular portraits and their names and titles: Arti Ramnathkar (Creative Director & Founder, Studio R1 Staging & Design), Rohin Parkar (CEO & Co-Founder, Spintly), Sanjay Mulvi (Head, Incubation & Seed Fund, EISA), Mangirish Salelkar (Founder, President - QTA, CEO & Co-Founder, UMANC), Ryan Vaz (Managing Director, Infinito), and Aaron de Miranda Colaço (Head of Blockchain, QIBEE). A moderator, Dr. Niyam Marchon (Head, RDCC - PCCE), is also listed. The Principal, Dr. Mahesh Parappagoudar, and Coordinators, Razia Sardinha, Flavio Colaco, and Ravina Quadros, are mentioned at the bottom.

- “How to Plan a Start-up: Legal & Ethical steps” by Mr. Ankur Kankonkar, founder and CEO of Kapslock.in
- “Interactive/Mentoring by Successful Startup Founders” by Mr. Praveen Floyd Cardoso, Contract Administrator, BIOSAR, Australia; Mr. Eldridge Menezes, founder of ‘Vision Developerz’ and Mr. Chimay Kamat, founder of ‘Copper Codes’.
- “Soft Skills for Success” by Mrs. Lynette Nazareth, Coordinator at Centre for Academic and Professional Support at Christ (Deemed to be University), Bangalore.
- “Lean Start-up and Minimum Viable Product/business” by Mr. Anay Kamat, Mobile Practice Lead, Equal Experts.
- “Angel Investing/VC Funding Opportunities for early stage Entrepreneurs” by Mr. Sanjay Mulvi, Incubation manager CIBA, Verna.
- “Entrepreneurship and Business Canvas Model” by Dr. Mridula Goel, Head of BITS

BIRAC BioNEST, BITS Pilani Goa Campus.

The grand finale was the most-anticipated ‘Panel Discussion’. The topic chosen was “Business Innovation Challenges During Pandemic”.

The eminent panellists for the session were:

1. Ms. Arti Ramnathkar, Creative Director and Founder of Studio RT, California
2. Mr. Rohin Parker, CEO and Co-founder of Spintly, Goa
3. Mr. Sanjay Mulvi, Head of Incubation and Seed Fund at CIBA-Verna
4. Mr. Mangirish Salelkar, Founder President of GTA, CEO and Co-founder of Umang, Goa
5. Mr. Ryan Vaz, Managing Director of Infinity3D, Goa
6. Mr. Aaron de Miranda Colaco, Head of Blockchain at qibee, Switzerland

Dr. Niyan Marchon, Head of PCCE RDCC moderated the session.

Padre Conceicao College of Engineering, Verna- Goa

Mechanical Engineering students win GSInC’s Prototype Funding

Mechanical Engineering students of P.C.C.E. - **Roshan Naik, Mayuresh Naik, Pralesh Kirlosker, Yuvraj Ghorpade and Sparsh Naik**, along with their guide Assistant Professor Mohnish Borker devised a unique technique to generate fuel from plastic waste.

The fuel obtained, generally termed as Polyfuel,

is available in three phases—gaseous fuel, liquid fuel and solid char and is similar to Diesel. The conversion rate of waste plastic to liquid fuel is as high as 90%.

This project won the prestigious Prototype Funding from the Goa State Innovation Council (GSInC).

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ACM Student Chapter Inauguration

P.C.C.E.’s Student Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) was inaugurated on 28th May 2021. The inauguration was followed by the power-packed webinar on “Security and Trust” by the ACM Eminent Speaker Mr. Kaarthik Sivakumar, Principal Engineer at Cisco Systems

The event was jointly organized by the departments of Computer Engineering and Information Technology. The faculty coordinators were Mrs. Louella Colaco and Mrs. Ravina Quadros.

The workshop was attended by 200+ ACM students and faculty members.

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Webinar on “Introduction to DevOps”

By Department of Computer Engineering

Mr. Tanmay Naik Pereira, DevOps Engineer at Persistent Systems, Verna conducted a webinar on “Introduction to DevOps” under the Student Chapter of ACE (Association of Computer Engineers). The student coordinators for the event were Mr. Kartik Binagekar and Ms. Vibha Honnavarkar. The faculty coordinators were Mrs. Louella Colaco and Mrs. Meghana Pai Kane.



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Workshop on “JAVASCRIPT”

by Department of Information Technology

Students Unit of Information Technology (SUIT) organized a one-day workshop on “JAVA SCRIPT” on 30th April 2021. It was attended by more than 50 students from

the Second Year, Third Year and Final Year. The workshop covered various topics aimed at enhancing the participants knowledge of Java Scripts Syntax and application.

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Research Publications

Department of Electronics and Telecommunications Engineering

1. Naik K., Sawant N., Kamat G., Kandolkar S., Marchon N. published a paper titled “IRIS: An Application for the Visually Impaired Using Google Cloud API” in Merchant S.N., Warhade K., Adhikari D. (eds) Advances in Signal and Data Processing; Lecture Notes in Electrical Engineering, vol 703, Springer, Singapore., 2021.
2. Marchon, Niyan JS published a paper titled “Sharp transition FIR bandpass filter for processing bioelectric signals.” in Journal of Physics: Conference Series, vol. 1921, no. 1, p. 012019; IOP Publishing, 2021.
3. Diffa Pinto, Akash Arun, Sahil Lenka, Lindsey Colaco, Shailesh Khanolkar, Santushti Betgeri, Akhilesh Naik got their paper

“Design and Performance Evaluation of a Wi-Fi Energy Harvester for Energizing Low Power Devices” accepted to be presented at the IEEE TENSYPMP 2021 Conference, South Korea (September 2021).

Departments of Computer Engineering and Information Technology

1. Shona Afonso, Anusha Pai and Razia de Loyola Furtado Sardinha published a paper titled “Cancer Prediction Using Machine Learning, Data Engineering and Intelligent Computing” in Advances in Intelligent Systems and Computing 1, Springer Nature Singapore Pte Ltd., 2021.

Dixita Dessai, Shaba Dessai and Sufola Das Chagas Silva e Araujo published a paper titled “Time Series Analysis for Air Quality Forecasting” in the JETIR Journal (Journal of Emerging Technologies and Innovat

The Challenges of the Reorganized Society of Pilar

- Fr. Jesuino Almeida

It is 82 years since the Society of Pilar ventured into a new path in its Mission of Evangelization. It gave a new shape to the old model. To carry on this task the young Fathers trained at the Diocesan Rachol Archbishop-Patriarch. D. Jose de Costa Nunes, their own seminary in 1942 within three years. There were only 5 candidates in the first year but the number grew fast inspired by the zeal of the Missionaries who came and shared their Missionary experiences in Nagar-Haveli, till 1951 the only Mission run by the Society. They motivated the seminarians to dedicate their lives to the poor and illiterate Missions. Thus our pioneer Missionaries were born who gladly went to work in the remote areas of the country.

Like the Belgian Jesuits in Ranchi and the Italian Salesians in the North-East, the Pilar missionaries too realized that education was a powerful instrument to bring up people of all sections of the society according to Gospel values.

Sanguem Mission was taken over in 1951, but as the title of the new seminary itself, "All India Mission Seminary", shows, the field of the activity of the Reorganized Society was not restricted to Goa alone. Hence, Punjab-Haryana Mission, now Delhi Province, came in 1962 and Andaman and Nicobar Mission, now Kolkata Province, was begun in 1965. In 1966 half of the seminary, the philosophy section was shifted to Nagpur.

All the four Missions, later on Regions and now Provinces, were taken up as pioneering fields or

rather areas where nobody else wanted to go.

To proclaim Christ to those who have not yet heard about him and to those who are not yet fully aware of the classical passage of Lk.4: 16-20 "I have been anointed to proclaim Reorganization reflected further on this motto and in the context of independent India realized that technical education of poor children was to be integrated into the proclamation of the gospel. That is how polytechnics and engineering colleges are now flourishing in our institutions in Mumbai, Delhi and Goa.

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Most of the Foreign Missionaries who came to India are dead and gone now, but they educated people of all sections and inspired the leaders of the freedom movement of Ram Mohan Roy, Mahatma Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru,

Rabindranath Tagore, etc, and still continue to be powerful sources of inspiration to all the Missionaries and particularly to indigenous Missionaries of the Society of Pilar.

Eighty-Two years of the Reorganized Society has been completed on the 2 July, 2021. During this period it has had innumerable successes to its credit in the rural as well as urban Missionary outposts. It also had long debates to clarify and consolidate the multiple angles of our Missionary enterprises. One controversy on our Missionary thrust that we faced within the Society during the last many years and has been successfully settled is a clear proof that the Holy Spirit, above all, is closely guiding the Society and he wants to project our Society as a indigenous missionary movement to proclaim Christ in India.



There is no Joy Greater than the Joy of **GIVING**

Robert Fernandes, Pune

I am enclosing a cheque for ₹.10,000 towards your sponsorship scheme for the orphan boys in your Balbhavan. Kindly pray for us.

Glanin Prakash Nazareth, Mangalore

Enclosed is a Donation for ₹.10,000. Please utilize this amount for the orphan boys. Please request the children to pray for me and my family. Thank you.

Rajini Shelke, Mumbai

Enclosed is a cheque for ₹.5,000. Kindly use this amount for the maintenance and education of the orphans under your care. Please remember

us in your prayers.

Sebastuab A.C., Kerala

I am sending herewith a cheque for ₹.3,000 for buying gifts for the orphan children sponsored by us. By the grace of God I was blessed with a better job and I would like to share that joy with these children. Do continue to pray for our family.

Aleena Andrews, Kerala.

I enclose a cheque of ₹.500 as my contribution towards the charitable works that you do, especially taking care of orphan and destitute children. Please pray for me and my family.

Peace

The eye of the storm
Is a place of deep calm,
And God promises to keep us safe
In that haven pure,
If only we would keep our gaze
On Him; as the prophet Isaiah says,
Even when storms assail
In a fearsome gale,
And threaten to knock us
Into a whirlpool of worry.
At moments like these,
St. Paul tells us to hurry
In supplication and thanksgiving,
To the all-seeing Lord of the universe
So that "the peace of God,
Which surpasseth all understanding,"
Can be ours, even in the midst
Of situations most terrifying;
That God may be glorified
And His peace, which is now ours,
May be even in difficult hours,
So ingrained in us, tho' sorely tried;
That it may shine forth always,
As our witness to a watching world.

--Sandra Kay





FR. AGNEL'S BLESSINGS

Successful Eye Operation

Bandra, Mumbai – I was to undergo an eye operation. I was much worried and tensed. In distress, I entrusted myself to the protection and intercession of Ven. Fr. Agnelo and prayed for his healing touch. I am now very happy to inform you that through the blessing of Ven. Fr. Agnel my eye operation was successful. With sincere thanks I am sending an offering of ₹. 500/- to Ashram fund.

-Mrs. Agnes Naidu

Amicable Divorce Settlement

Nallasopara, Maharashtra – My son had to divorce his wife within twenty days of his marriage as he came to know that she was having illicit relations with some other boy even after their marriage. In this unfortunate situation I entrusted myself to the powerful intercession of Ven. Fr. Agnelo and fervently prayed for an amicable settlement of this issue. I am now extremely happy to inform you that Fr. Agnelo heard my fervent plea as that girl and her parents mutually agreed for a peaceful settlement without taking the matter to court. Moreover they did not ask for alimony nor put any claim over his property. Our heartfelt thanks to Fr. Agnel with an offering of ₹. 500/-

-Mrs. Kalpana J. Mehta

Secured Job in Australia

Malad, Mumbai - My daughter and son-in-law had migrated to Australia in search of better jobs. I was praying through the intercession of Ven. Fr. Agnel to bless them with a suitable job. Fr. Agnel heard my fervent plea as they are now blessed with lucrative job in Australia. As a token of my sincere thanks, here is an offering of ₹. 5000/- to the Ashram for its various charitable activities.

Mr. Maurice Alvares-

Health restored

Goa – My wife had a tumour removed through

surgery. After that we were blessed with three children, all delivered through caesarean section. Subsequent to this my wife again complained of pain in the abdomen. The sonography revealed that the fibroid had enlarged and surgery was required. We then came to Pilar and prayed fervently to Ven. Fr. Agnelo and in faith drank water mixed with mud from his tomb. After some time she did a sonography which revealed that her condition was normal and no surgery was required. Our heartfelt gratitude to Ven. Agnelo and w pray for his early canonization.

-Camilo Fernandes

Blessed with a suitable job

New York – With the blessing of Ven. Fr. Agnelo I came to the US and was in search of a suitable job. Again, I besought powerful intercession of Ven. Fr. Agnelo and I am very happy to inform you that I have got very suitable job in the city. With a grateful heart we send an offering of ₹. 3000/-.

-Lily Babu

Transfer Secured

Tamil Nadu: I was praying to Ven.Fr.Agnel for my friend's transfer from Tamil Nadu. Through the intercession of Ven.Fr.Agnel he got transferred to Kerala with promotion. In thanksgiving an offering of ₹.1000 to Ven.Fr.Agnel.

-V.C.Joy

Backache Cured

S.Arica: I was suffering from backache which affected my physical activities. Medication did not give me much relief. With great hope I sought the powerful intercession of Ven.Fr.Agnel. I am glad to say that by his blessing I am cured of my back problem. In thanksgiving an offering of ₹.500.

-S.Pillay

Out of Their Bounty

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