

# Principal's Report 2020-'21

Esteemed Manager of the institution Rev. Fr. Philip Pazhayakari CMI, Chief Guest of the day, Prof. (Dr.) Sabu Thomas, Honourable Vice-Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, College Administrator Fr. (Dr.) Thomas P.J., College Union Advisor Fr. Dr. Sibichen K.K., Mr. Alwin Roy, Student Leader of 2019-21 batch, distinguished guests, parents, members of FOSSA, dear colleagues and my beloved students,

With great pleasure let me present before you the annual report of the important activities, events and meritorious achievements during the academic year 2020-2021. St. Joseph's Training College is marching forward with its mission of grooming teachers for the next generation. I take this opportunity to place on record my sincere gratitude to all my predecessors who were instrumental to raise this institution to the present state of excellence. I thank God Almighty for having given me the opportunity to present this report.

## Management

The College is owned by the St. Joseph Monastery, Mannanam. Rev. Fr. Mathews Chakkalakkal CMI took charge as the new manager of the college on October 10<sup>th</sup> 2020. Rev. Fr. Mathews Chakkalakkal is a humble man of vision, goodwill and insight. I sincerely wish him all success in his endeavors. Also I express my heartfelt thanks to, Rev. Fr. Scaria Ethirett CMI, our former manager for his valuable service to this college.

## College

The affiliation of college to Mahatma Gandhi University continues for B.Ed. and M.Ed. NCTE recognition of the college also continues for B.Ed. and M.Ed. The NAAC accreditation process for the Fourth cycle is initiated in the college. This year we signed MOU with St. Xavier's College of Education, Palayamkottai and Mount Carmel College of Teacher Education for Women, Kottayam for academic cooperation.

## Teaching Faculty and Administrative staff

At present, we have 12 regular members in the teaching staff and 11 regular members in the non-teaching staff for B.Ed. and nine regular faculty for M.Ed. Dr. Rose Ligia V.M., Asst. Professor in Theatre Arts and Ms. Aswathi N.N., Asst. Professor in Fine Arts serve as guest faculty for handling classes and workshops in Drama and Art in Education.

Head Accountant, Mr. K.A. Thomas retired from service on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2020 after 22 years of committed services. He joined this institution on 11-03-1998. I take this opportunity to put on record our sincere gratitude for the immeasurable value added to this institution by him during the long period of service.

## Achievements of Teaching Faculty

Dr. Varghese K. Cheriyan was nominated by the Chancellor as the Syndicate

Member, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. He continues to serve as the Member of Senate; Chairman of the Board of Studies in Education; Member of Academic Council; Member of Faculty Council in Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. He also serves as the Member of NCTE visiting team.

Fr. Dr. Thomas P. J. was awarded second Ph.D. in Psychology on the topic 'Efficacy of Mindful-based Practices on Executive Functions among Students with Inattention' from Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

Dr. Tessy Joseph Kallarackal was awarded second Ph.D. in Psychology on the topic 'Efficacy of Mindful-based Intervention for Suicidal Ideation among B.Ed. Students' from Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

Fr. (Dr.) Sibichen K.K. won the title 'Most Committed Teacher Educator for Extension Work' of the Council for Teacher Education Foundation (CTEF, Kerala State Chapter) Awards 2020.

Dr. Shaiju Francis was selected as the Member of College Development Council (CDC), Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. He continues to serve as the Member of the Board of Studies in Education and Member of Faculty Council in Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam.

## **IQAC**

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the college works towards realization of the goals of quality enhancement and sustenance under the guidance of our principal Dr. Varghese K. Cheriyan, IQAC Chairman and Dr. Ronu Thomas, IQAC Coordinator. In fact, IQAC spearheads the planning, implementation and evaluation of all professional training and development activities of the institution. This year it directly collaborated with various forums to organize webinars and online workshops pertaining to a series of topics of current relevance like 'LMS for Educators with special focus on Online Evaluation', 'NEP 2020 and Teacher Education: Prospectus and Challenges', 'Covid -19: Facts and Fictions', 'Digital Tools for the Smart Teacher', 'E-resources and Scholarly Communication', 'Fundamentals of Intellectual Property Rights for Teachers' and 'Fulbright-Nehru Fellowships'.

## **RUSA Funding**

The college received a funding of two crores from RUSA for undertaking construction of a new academic block, renovation of the heritage building and purchase of equipments. Kerala State Nirmithi Kendra was selected as the Project Consultant. The Project Monitoring Unit headed by the Principal closely monitors the progress of work under the project. On October 21, 2020 the foundation stone for the new building was laid by Rev. Fr. Sebastian Chamathara CMI, Provincial, St. Joseph's Province, Thiruvananthapuram. The renovation work is almost completed and construction of the new academic block is under progress.

## **Online classes**

In response to the pandemic, the faculty of the college initiated and persistently continued with the online classes, and online assessment till it was allowed to open colleges in regular mode in the state. Online Learning platforms like Google Meet, Zoom and Google classroom were utilized for the same. Video lessons and learning materials were prepared to the repertoire of digital teaching learning resources by our faculty Dr. Tessy Joseph Kallarackal, Dr. Sunitha Susan Jose and Dr. Jisha Baby in May 2020.

Students too, prepared video lessons based on various chapters in high school textbooks and uploaded them in the college YouTube channel as their response in times of the pandemic.

## **Student strength**

The academic activities for B.Ed. of the year 2020-'21 were formally inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Mathews Chakkalakal CMI, Manager of the college on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2020. The orientation programme for the two year B.Ed. batch of 2020-'22 was held from 28-12-2020 to 01-01-2021. We have a sanctioned student strength of 50 each for the B.Ed. and M.Ed. programme in accordance with the norms prescribed by the NCTE. At present we have a total of 50 students - 12 students in English, 8 students in Mathematics, 10 students in Natural Science, 12 students in the Physical Science and 8 students in the Social Science in 2019-'21 batch and a total of 49 students - 11 students in English, 9 students in Mathematics, 10 students in Natural Science, 10 students in the Physical Science and 9 students in the Social Science in 2020-'22 batch. We have 5 students for the two-year M.Ed. programme of 2019-'21 batch and 8 students in the 2020-'22 batch.

I am indeed happy to state that our students were very co-operative and they actively participated in all the activities of the college. I appreciate their responsible behavior throughout the academic year.

## **Student Achievements**

Mr. Akhil Sabu from Natural Science secured 5<sup>th</sup> rank in B.Ed. Degree Examination from Mahatma Gandhi University. Ms. Riya Rajumon (Physical Science) and Ms. Sanjana Shaji (Mathematics) secured 10<sup>th</sup> rank in the examination.

Thirty seven students of B.Ed. 2018-20 batch cleared K-TET examination conducted in January 2021 by Dept. of General Education, Govt. of Kerala.

Reshma Venugopal and Karthika Vijayan of 2019-21 batch cleared UGC-JRF. Reshma Venugopal and Arathy O. V. (2019-21 batch) and Susmitha Santhosh (2020-22 batch) passed GATE exam with good score. Hearty congratulations to each one of you for your great achievement.

## **Model Schools**

St. Ephrem's Higher Secondary School, St. Joseph's U.P. School and K.E. English Medium School serve as our model schools. We are grateful to the principals and staff of

these schools for their sincere co-operation, moral support and timely help in making our teacher education programmes effective and successful.

### **Practice Teaching**

An integral part of our curriculum is the practice teaching session for six weeks which provides the students with firsthand experience in the classroom situation. In the context of school remaining closed due the Covid 19 pandemic, practice teaching for 2019-21 B.Ed. batch for a period of 16 weeks was held in online mode from 17-08-2020 to 17-12-2020. I sincerely thank the heads and staffs of the institutions for the help they have rendered for the successful conduct of School Induction and Online Practice Teaching even in the difficult situation of the pandemic. The list of the schools is given below.

- 1 St. Ephrem's Higher Secondary School, Mannanam.
- 2 K.E. English Medium HSS, Mannanam
- 3 St. Philomina's Girls High School, Villoonni
- 4 Holy Family High School, Parampuzha
- 5 St. George's Vocational HSS, Kaipuzha
- 6 S.K.V. Higher Secondary School, Neendoor.
- 7 St. Thomas High School, Kallara
- 8 Emmanuel HSS, Kothanalloor
- 9 St. Mary's Girls High School, Athirampuzha
10. St. Aloysius' H.S.S., Athirampuzha
11. CMS High School, Kottayam

### **Examination Results**

We had good results in the previous academic year. Out of the 50 students (2019-21 batch) who appeared for the B.Ed. exam, 23 got A+, 16 got A and 10 got B. Mr. Akhil Sabu secured the highest GPA (9.93) among the students. Students of the 2019-21 M.Ed. batch, also completed the course successfully. Hearty congratulations to all of them.

### **Club Activities/ Co-curricular Activities**

With a view to enhance the participation of students in the co-curricular activities, various clubs were formed in the beginning of the academic year itself. Representatives of different clubs were chosen from each optional class. A variety of activities were organized under the auspices of the various clubs functioning in the college, viz, Cultural Club, Spiritual Animation Cell, Women's Cell, Film and Documentation Club and Social Extension Club.

Teachers' Day was celebrated as an online programme on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Dr. Varghese K. Cheriyan, gave the principal's message. Students of 2019-21 batch hosted the programme and presented a teachers Day tribute video.

National Youth Day was observed on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2021 with the title “MERAKI- to do something with soul’ by releasing a series of inspirational videos based on the theme ‘Be Good, Do Good’.

Republic Day was celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2021. The formal meeting was followed by cultural programmes by five optional classes and a quiz programme organized by students of 2020-22 batch. As a RepublicDay Tribute, a patriotic song was recorded by them and uploaded in the college YouTube channel.

Martyrs’s Day was duly observed on 30<sup>th</sup> January with a speech by Dr. Shaiju Francis, Asst. Professor of the college, and by offering a floral tribute to Mahatma Gandhi, the ‘Father of the Nation’. The meeting was followed by a chart exhibition by the students of B.Ed. 2020-22 batch.

The Women’s Cell of the college organized a talk on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2021 in connection with Womens Day celebration 2021. Dr. Celene Philip, Retd. Professor, BCM College, Kottayam was the resource person.

Fresher’s Day was organized in the college on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020. The senior batch students gave a grand welcome to junior batch students.

### **Webinars organized by the college**

1. One week Online Professional Certification Programme in LMS for Educators with special focus on Online Evaluation in collaboration with The Kerala State Higher Education Council was organized from 18<sup>th</sup> May to 24<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Dr. Syamlal G.S., Asst. Professor, M.G. College, Thiruvananthapuram was the resource person. Dr. Ronu Thomas and Dr. Sunitha Susan Jose were the Co-ordinators of the programme.
2. International Online Panel Discussion on ‘Covid -19: Facts and Fictions’ in collaboration with Titus II Teachers College, Thiruvalla was held on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Dr. Renjin R.P., Associate Professor of Surgery, RMO, MCH, Kottayam; Dr. Bibin P. Mathew, Secretary IMA Kottayam; Dr. Harikrishnan V.G., Associate Professor, Dept. of Infectious disease, MCH. Kottayam; Dr. Balu K. Chacko, Scientist, University of Alabama, USA; Dr. Benny P.V., HOD, Community Medicine, Gokulam Medical College, TVM; Dr. Indu Chandrasekharan, Internal Medicine Specialist, HOD of Medicine, Jeddaha National Hospital, Saudi Arabia, Dr. Preethi Mary Abraham, Medical Officer, Homeopathy, Ayush N.H.M., Kunnamthanam, Thiruvalla were the resource persons. Fr. (Dr.) Sibichen K.K. and Dr. Praveena Gopinath were the Co-ordinators of the programme.
3. Webinar on ‘Digital Tools for the Smart Teacher’ in collaboration with Mount Carmel College of Teacher Education for Women Kottayam was held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Dr. K.S. Sajan, Asst. Professor, N.S.S. Training College, Ottappalam was the resource person. Dr. Jisha Baby was the Co-ordinator of the programme.
4. Webinar on ‘E-resources and Scholarly Communication’ in association with Kerala



College Librarian's Association (KCLA) was held on 19<sup>th</sup> October 2020.

5. Webinar on 'Fundamentals of Intellectual Property Rights for Teachers', on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020. Ms. Aswathy G. Krishnan, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Law, University of Kerala was the resource person. Dr. Praveena Gopinath was the Co-ordinator of the programme.
6. Webinar on 'Fulbright-Nehru Fellowships' on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Ms. Lalitha Nagesvari, Program Manager, United States-India Educational Foundation, Chennai delivered a lecture on the topic 'Fulbright- Nehru and other Fulbright Fellowship opportunities' and Dr. Divya C. Senan, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Education, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram motivated the audience with a talk on 'My journey as a Fulbright-Nehru Postdoctoral research Scholar'. Dr. Latha Joseph was the Coordinator of the programme.
7. Webinar on Methods and Tools of Educational Psychology was organized on 27<sup>th</sup> January and 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2021 in two sessions. Dr. Harini C., Asst. Professor in Industrial Psychology, SIES College of Arts and Commerce, Sion, Mumbai was the Resource person. Fr. (Dr.) Sibichen K.K. coordinated the programme.

### **Saint Chavara Lecture Series**

Saint Chavara Kuriakose Elias Lecture Series was initiated in 2013 as a joint venture of our college and St. Joseph College of Teacher Education for Women, Ernakulam owned by CMI and CMC congregations respectively. This year the programme was conducted as an online programme on 24<sup>th</sup> September, 2020. Rev. Dr. Martin Mallath, General Councillor for Education and Media Communication inaugurated the event and Shri. C. V. Ananda Bose IAS delivered a lecture on the topic "Saint Chavara: The untold stories". Dr. Shaiju Francis was the Co-ordinator of the webinar. Staff and students from both the colleges participated in the event.

### **NEP 2020**

A National Webinar was organized in the college on 'NEP 2020 and Teacher Education: Prospectus and Challenges' in collaboration with Sri Sarada College of Teacher Education, Salem and Vidyabhasa Vikasa Kendram, Kerala on 9<sup>th</sup> September 2020. The programme was inaugurated by Prof. (Dr.) K.K. Shine, Chairman, NCTE Southern Council, Central University of Sanskrit. Shri. A. Vinod, Member, Monitoring Committee of Education, Govt. of India, Dr. Amruth G. Kumar, Professor & Head, School of Education, Central Uty of Kerala, Kasaragod, Shri. Joby Balakrishnan, Member, NCTE, Govt. of India and Dr. Kamala Selvaraj, Principal, Grace College of Education, T.N. were the resource persons. Dr. Latha Joseph was the Co-ordinator of the programme.

On 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021, a seminar was conducted on the topic *National Education Policy 2020*. Mr. Joby Balakrishnan, Member, NCTE General Council Member led the session.

### **Webinar Series**

A webinar series was organized by St. Joseph's Training College, Mannanam with

the title “Passionate Professionals: Handholding the Novice Teacher,” in collaboration with Former Staff and Students Association (FOSSA) from 15<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020 by including 6 webinars of our young and eminent alumni. Dr. Shaiju Francis and Dr. Sunitha Susan Jose were the Co-ordinators.

1. “Making a Better world- Role of a Teacher” on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2020 by Mr. Harilal T.S., HSST, Govt HSS, Kulasekharamangalam (B.Ed. 2016-18 batch)
2. “Teachers and Constitutional Morality” on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2020 by Mr. Renjith V.T. Asst. Professor, School of Distance Education, University of Calicut (B.Ed. 2012-13 batch)
3. ‘My Professional Journey: From Pre-service to In-service’ on 20<sup>th</sup> October 2020 by Ms. Avic Paul, UPST, St. Joseph’s U.P. School, Chungankvely, Aluva (B.Ed. 2012-13 batch)
4. “Education in Modern Rural India-Opportunities and Challenges” on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020 by Fr. Santhosh Mathew, HSA, St. Thomas H.S., Netta (B.Ed. 2015-17 batch)
5. “Media Literacy” on 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020 by Dr. Meljo Thomas, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Media Studies, Christ University, Bangalore (B.Ed. 2011-12 batch)
6. “Scientific Temper in the Infodemic Era” on 26<sup>th</sup> October 2020 by Mr. Biju George, Asst. Professor, Dept. of Botany, S.B College, Changanacherry. B.Ed. (B.Ed. 2008-09 batch)

### **Workshop on Theatre Arts**

A One-day Workshop on Theatre Arts titled ‘The Pedagogic Theatre’ was held on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Dr. Rose Ligia V. M., Asst. Professor in Theatre Arts (part-time), SJTC, Mannanam was the resource person. Dr. Jisha Baby was the Co-ordinator of the programme. The workshop gave importance to Script writing, Stage performance and Report writing.

### **Personality Development of Student-teachers**

The integrated development of an individual is effected by imparting knowledge and skills and by moulding the personality by the teacher. Hence, teacher personality becomes crucial in the education and development of children.

In order to transform our student teachers as mature, integrated and resourceful persons, programmes like self-introduction, class-wise cultural activities, debates, seminars, webinars, celebration of festivals and events, observation of national days and events, arts day, sports, games and extension activities were organized in the college.

### **Sports Day**

The 64<sup>th</sup> Annual Sports Meet was held at K.E. College Ground, Mannanam on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Dr. Biju Thomas, Syndicate member, Mahatma Gandhi University inaugurated the Meet. Students grouped into four houses namely, Blue, White, Green and Red, participated in the various sports and games events with true sportsman spirit.

Whitehouse got the overall championship. Mr. Tony Mathew won the individual championship among men and Ms. Anitta Siby won the individual championship among women

### **Arts Fest**

The various club activities of academic year 2020-21 were inaugurated by Dr. B. Keralavarma, Syndicate Member, Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam on 29<sup>th</sup> march 2021. The Cultural Club of the college organized the Arts Fest with the title 'SAARANG 2K21' on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021 with competitions in various arts and literary events. The students from various optional groups actively participated in the competitions and English optional won the overall championship Ms. Sruthi Acca John and Ms. Anju Suresh shared the title of 'Kalathilakom' and Mr. Geone Philip won the title of 'Kalaprathibha'. Ms. Sruthy P.S. won the title of 'Sargaprathibha' for the literary competitions.

### **Upanayana**

Upanayana ceremony of the batch 2020-21 was held on 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 as an online programme. College Manager Rev. Fr. Mathews Chakkalakkal CMI inaugurated the function. It was organized as a prayerful event, symbolically representing the lighting of the lamp of wisdom and initiation of the new members into the Josephite family.

### **Value Education**

As we are conscious of the significance of moral and spiritual growth of our students, we have arranged special programmes to promote the spiritual development of our students. Students are also required to prepare value education lesson plans and take value education classes during their practice teaching period. A secular prayer room is furnished for solitary prayers for all our students irrespective of their religion.

### **Social Extension Activities**

The vision of the institution is 'to nurture teachers who are globally competent, who shall promote democratic and spiritual values to create a just and humane society'. In keeping with its vision, the teacher education process in the institution is never complete without its social extension activities. Social Extension Cell of the college took initiative to provide opportunities for students of the institution to experience selfless social service.

On March 8<sup>th</sup> 2019, B.Ed. 2020-22 batch of St. Joseph's Training College in association with 'Nadhi Samrakshan Samithi, Mannanam' initiated the cleaning of 'Chavara Kadavu' under the leadership of union advisor Fr. Dr. Sibichen Kalarickal. The theme selected for the programme was 'Rivers are Ours'. Our alumni Ms. Mekhala Joseph, Member, Ettumanoor Block Panchayath inaugurated the programme and Sri. Biju Valiyamala, President, Athirampuzha Grama Panchayath addressed the gathering.

### **Onam Celebration**

Onam celebration was held as an online programme with several online activities



on 29<sup>th</sup> August 2020 with the title 'E-pulari'. Dr. Brigit Paul, Principal, K. E. College, Mannanam was the chief guest of the programme.

### **Community Living Camp**

To be in communion with community life, a Community Living Camp titled 'YUGAM-2K21,' was held from 15<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 at K. E. English Medium School, Mannanam for the 2019-'21 batch students. Dr. Shaiju Francis was the Co-ordinator of the camp. Mr. George S. Painel and Ms. Maria Joseph were the Student leaders. It successfully ensured a sweet taste of community life among its members. Mr. George S. Painel won the Best Camper Award.

### **National Science Day Celebration 2021**

The 'National Science Day' was observed by conducting a webinar on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2021. Dr. Sameer Babu, Asst. Professor of Education, Dept of Education, University of Kerala was the resource person of the programme. He delivered a lecture on the topic 'Employability Skills for future'. Dr. Anisha V. Gopalakrishnan was the Co-ordinator of the programme.

### **Online workshop on Film Review**

An online workshop on Film Review was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021. Dr. Meljo Thomas, Asst. Professor, Christ University, Bangalore was the resource person. Dr. Jisha Baby was the Co-ordinator of the programme.

### **EBSB Club**

Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat Programme aims to enhance interaction and promote mutual understanding between people of different States/UTs through the concept of State/UT pairing. The EBSB club of St. Joseph's Training College was inaugurated on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020. As per the guidelines, our institution was paired with Govt. College of Teacher Education, Dharmashala, Himachal Pradesh. Various activities were organized by our institution in association with the paired institution GCTE, Dharmashala, to promote a sustained and structural connect in the areas of language learning, culture, traditions, music, cuisine, sports and sharing of best practices etc.

### **VENTEL Cell**

As per NEP 2020 guidelines, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of India in collaboration with Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education proposed an action plan for student teachers of B.Ed. institutions. MGNCRE is the forerunner in various path breaking activities including propelling Vocational Education Nai Talim, and Experiential Learning (VENTEL) activities. Our institution is registered as a VENTEL institution after the online workshop conducted in collaboration with MGNCRE, Hyderabad on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2020. Ms. Anu Cleetus, Coordinator and Nodal Officer of MGNCRE, Hyderabad was the resource person. Dr. Jisha Baby acted as the coordinator of VENTEL cell. Four Faculty members and four student convenors were also selected. All students of B.Ed. 2019-21 batch were registered into VENTEL-Action Plans. Three

students- Ms. Sruthy P.S., Ms. Alina Mary Simon and Ms. Chippymol P. of 2019-21 batch were selected from our institution and participated in the cluster level competition.

The VENTEL Cell of St. Joseph's Training College, Mannanam organized a series of webinars in collaboration with MGNCRE, Hyderabad.

1. Webinar on 'Nutritional Security through Horticultural Interventions' was conducted on 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2020. Mr. Shoji Joy Edison, Subject Matter Specialist, ICAR-KVK Ernakulam, CMFRI was the resource person.
2. Webinar on 'Kerala Traditional Mural Art' was held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Ms. Aswathi N.N., Asst. Professor in Fine Arts (part-time), SJTC was the resource person.
3. Webinar on 'Post-covid 19 and Diabetes' was held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2020. Dr. Lidiya George, Junior consultant, Taluk Hospital, Kuravilangad was the resource person.
4. Webinar on 'Challenges and Possibilities of Meenanthara River Renovation' was organized on 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2020. Dr. Jacob George, Retired Professor, CMS college, Kottayam was the resource person.

### **Coursera for Campus**

The college continues with the programme "Coursera for Campus", the covid response initiative of Coursera. More than 3800 courses were made available to our students and faculty free of cost through the platform as part of the programme. Many of our students completed online courses and bagged certificates.

### **Online KTET Coaching**

St. Joseph's Training College, Mannanam took initiative to conduct an online KTET coaching programme in collaboration with Ductus Academy, Calicut. Dr. Shaiju Francis and Dr. Sunitha Susan Jose were the Co-ordinators of the programme. 54 students joined the programme from among the students and alumni of the college. Thirty seven students of B.Ed. 2018-20 batch cleared K-TET examination conducted in January 2021 by Dept. of General Education, Govt. of Kerala.

### **Computer Education**

In view of the significance of ICT in modern education, all the students in the college are given computer education. Free access to Internet through broadband is made available to students. The faculty members and M.Ed. students were given ID and passwords for searching through N-List of INFLIBNET. The College offers optical fiber cable connection through NMEICT project for uninterrupted net connectivity.

### **Guidance Cell**

The college offers guidance and mentoring service to help our students to solve their personal and educational problems. Fr.(Dr.) Leju Thekkekkalam CMI is serving as the Councilor. I sincerely thank him for his valuable services.

## **Placement Service**

To help our out-going students find job opportunities in schools, in and outside Kerala, a placement cell functions in our college. Students can register their names with the cell and get information regarding job opportunities.

## **Merit Day**

The college has instituted several endowments and scholarships to motivate our students for better performance and to cherish the loving memories of our former staff and well-wishers. The endowments and scholarships for the students of 2018-19 batch and 2018-20 batch were distributed on 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 in the College Day programme.

## **College Hostel**

Boys are accommodated in the St. Joseph's hostel attached to the college and girls are accommodated in Pope John hostel and in Holy Family hostel. I express my sincere gratitude to the wardens of these hostels for their concern for our students and wholehearted co-operation.

## **Parent Teacher Association**

The General Body Meeting of the PTA (2020-'22 batch) was convened on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2021 via Zoom Platform. The Executive Committee members were also selected during the meeting. Mr. N. Ajayakumar was elected as the President and Mrs. Lillykutty Mathew as the Vice-president, Mr. Philip Augusty and Mr. Sunny Thomas as executive members of PTA. The schedule of B.Ed. course during the current academic year was discussed in the meeting.

The first meeting of PTA Executive committee was held on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2021 at college conference hall. The committee appreciated the efforts taken by the institution to train students in online teaching and familiarizing online platforms to students.

## **Jubilarians' Day**

Every year since our Golden Jubilee in 2007, we have specially invited and honoured our students who celebrate the golden and silver jubilee as the alumni of this college. On 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021, the students of the 1970-71 batch were specially invited as golden jubilarians and students of 1995-96 were invited as silver jubilarians of the college. Five Alumni members with credible achievements in the academic year 2020-21 viz., Dr. A. Jose, Syndicate Member, M.G. University; Dr. Kuruvilla Joseph, Dean & Professor, Institute of Space Science and Technology; Mr. James Kurian, Member, Ettumanoor Block Panchayath & FOSSA President; Dr. K.M. Sudhakaran, Syndicate Member, M.G. University; Ms. Mekhala Joseph, Member, Ettumanoor Block Panchayath were honored during the programme. Former teaching and administrative staff members also graced the occasion with much joy and care in their hearts. All the jubilarians were gifted with mementoes. The institution eagerly listened to the multitudinal experiences of the silver jubilarians who are its flag bearers in myriad walks of life. The gathering came to an end with a sumptuous meal.

On the day our staff were also congratulated. Fr. (Dr.) Thomas P.J. and Dr. Tessy Joseph Kallarackal were honoured by presenting mementos for completing the second Doctoral Degree in Psychology from Bharathiyar University, Coimbatore. Fr. (Dr.) Sibichen K. K. was honoured for winning the CTEF award for the Most Committed Teacher Educator for Extension work 2020.

### **Diamond Jubilee Award**

Mr. Blesson Babu of the graduating batch of 2018-20, won 'The Promising Young Teacher Award' for the year 2019 -20 instituted by FOSSA in the Diamond Jubilee Year.

### **Scholarships and Endowments**

The college has instituted several endowments and scholarships to motivate our students for better performance and to cherish the loving memories of our former staff and well-wishers.

The following students were the recipients of scholarships this year.

1. Mr. Akhil Sabu won the 'FOSSA Endowment' by securing the highest Grade Point Average in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations of the academic period 2018-20.
2. Mr. Blesson Babu and Ms. Riya Rajumon shared the Dr. V. T. Mathew Endowment for securing the highest GPA in B.Ed. Degree Practical Examinations of the B.Ed. Degree Course in the academic period 2018 -20.
3. Ms. Amala Jose won the 'Prof. T.K. Thomas Endowment' by securing the highest GPA among the English students in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations of the academic period 2018-20.
4. Ms. Riya Rajumon won the 'Dr. T. T. Joseph Memorial Scholarship' by securing the highest GPA among the Physical Science students in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations in the academic period 2018-20.
5. Ms. Sanjana Shaji won the 'Prof. C. K. Thomas Endowment' by securing the highest GPA among the Mathematics students in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations in the academic period 2018 -20.
6. Mr. Akhil Sabu won the 'Fr. Joseph James Award' by securing the highest GPA among the Natural Science students in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations of the academic period 2018-20.
7. Ms. Ajitha T.A. won the 'Prof. M.A. Alexander Endowment' by securing the highest GPA among the Social Science students in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations of the academic period 2018 -20.
8. Mr. Akhil Sabu won the 'Fr. Thomas Kalarickal Endowment' by securing the highest GPA in Educational Psychology in the B.Ed. Degree Examinations of the academic period 2018 -20.

## CONCLUSION

Before I conclude my report, I thank God Almighty for all the blessings showered on me, on this institution and on all our endeavors during the academic year through the intercession of our heavenly patron St. Joseph and of Saint Kuriakose Elias Chavara.

Management is doing things right and leadership is doing the right things. We are most happy to have Rev. Fr. Mathews Chakkalakkal CMI as our manager. Thank you father, for being our manager and leader.

In this occasion, I wholeheartedly commemorate the service and guidance we received from our former manager Rev. Fr. Scaria Ethirett CMI.

I take this opportunity to record my sincere gratitude to Rev. Fr. Philip Pazhayakari CMI, Former Manager of this college for presiding over the college day celebration.

I place on record my gratitude to Fr. Dr. Thomas P.J, Administrator of the college for his moral support, valuable suggestions and timely help for the efficient functioning of this college. I extend my profound gratitude to my colleagues of the B.Ed. and M.Ed. courses for the full support rendered to me all along. I express my heartfelt thanks to the administrative staff of this college for their decorum and sincerity in carrying out the administrative work. I deeply appreciate and put on record my sincere thanks to the former students and PTA members whose cooperation and good will were ever at our disposal.

My loving students of B.Ed. and M.Ed., I acknowledge with gratitude your sincere and wholehearted co-operation for every event throughout the year even in the pandemic situation. I am sure the young teachers who graduate and leave the portals of this Alma mater will scale great heights and commemorate the elegance of this institution. I wish you all success in the coming examinations and in your future life.

Once again thanking you all, let me conclude this report,

**Dr. Varghese K. Cheriyan**

Principal