

Message from the Rector



Empowerment of students for their all round development through education is the cherished motto of St. Joseph's Community College. Today education means much more than merely acquiring knowledge. It is acquisition of knowledge, skills, building character and improving employability of our talented youth, the future leaders.

St. Joseph's Community College is rendering yeomen service to the young who enter its portals looking for avenues to explore in this challenging world. Over the last 11 years of its existence, it has equipped hundreds to face the challenges of modern life. Most of the students who come to our college are from the economically deprived sections of society. It is our endeavor to motivate them, equip them and make them move ahead in life with their heads held high.

I congratulate the Principal and the Staff of the College for carrying on this noble task with a lot of dedication and commitment. I invoke God's blessings on all our students and their future endeavors.

Fr. Leo Periera SJ.
Rector
St. Joseph's Indian Institutions, Bangalore

Message from the Director



Skill training is an exciting job. Moreover training disadvantaged youth is still more exciting. Listen to some of the captivating stories: Johnny who had lots of anger and was not in terms with his father had joined St. Joseph's Community College (SJCC) for skill training. Can you believe that after eight months being in SJCC, Johnny asks pardon from his father and is ready to do whatever his father tells him. You want to know what has changed him? Come to SJCC and meet Johnny. Prema, who had joined SJCC with emotional turmoil undergoes different experiences such as falling in love, being cut off from the boy friend, accused by the family members, friends etc., In all these circumstances her thought is that she has no one in this world and therefore she better give up on her life. But SJCC did not give up on her. Today she is all smiles and says, "Now I understand how people behave with me. Hereafter I shall not give into them". Abishek, with all his addictions and offensive behavior manages to complete the course in Electricals. He is all smiles and tidy as he has found a placement in an Electrical company. Razak, coming from a rural area has completed his Hotel Management training at SJCC. Now he is all excited to have his internship training and most likely a future job in a five star hotel 'JW Marriot' - a thing he never imagined. Stories go on... Exciting things, surprises, miracles unfold before our eyes at SJCC. Those who have eyes will see and ears will hear.

Fr. Melwyn Lobo SJ.
Director
St. Joseph's Community College, Bangalore



A step in the right direction, Mentoring is a brain to pick, an ear to listen, and a push in the right direction. SJCC is that boat that drives students in the right direction when in a turbulent sea. Failures are a common phenomenon and often look unpleasant but they open our eyes to the world around and lead us to success. Bill Gates rightly said "successful people look at what's worked, learn from what hasn't, set new priorities and then move on." SJCC has many examples of such students who failed in their first, but later achieved greater heights. An institution like ours with a commitment to empower students, organizes a wide range of skill and value based programs to meet the various challenges and have a sense of direction that leads to the path of success. It gives me immense pleasure to welcome our readers to explore the journey of SJCC in the academic year 2016-17, in our annual newsletter 'UJWALA'. My thanks are due, to the principal, editorial board, teachers and students for being of immense help in breathing life into these pages.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR 2016-17



COLLEGE FRESHERS DAY

The freshers day was held on 1st of July 2016. The Director, Fr. Melwyn Lobo, addressed the freshers. It was an introduction to the functioning of Community College.



INTENSIVE ENGLISH COURSE

The academic year began with 15 days of intensive English course, for all students, from 2nd of July to 18th of July. This equipped the students with speaking, reading, writing and listening skills.



FEAST OF ST. IGNATIUS

On 29th of July, the students came together to celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius, the founder saint. A short video along

with a message on the life of St. Ignatius was presented. Students participated in a quiz and sketching competition based on the topic 'St. Ignatius of Loyola', and the principal honored the winners.



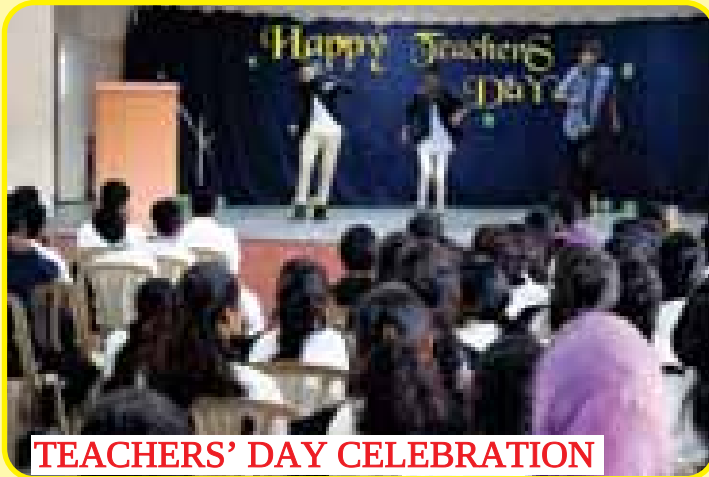
HOUSE ACTIVITIES

A house system is a long standing tradition that creates healthy competition, promotes teamwork and provides opportunities to take on responsibilities. An exercise was held to create house brands, and these houses were given different colors, namely Blue representing St. Ignatius' group, Orange - St. Xavier's, Green - St. Anthony's and Red Rose - St. Theresa's. These houses took part in various academic, sports and cultural events.



STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

The investiture ceremony was held on the 13th of August. The elected representatives were installed by the Director of SJCC Fr. Melwyn Lobo. The guest of honor Mrs. Josephine Flora, principal of SJIM school, addressed the gathering. The office bearers were Abhijeet Matthew - Student President, Ashuviny E. - Vice-president, Christy Pavan & Riyana R - Cultural Secretaries, Kenneth Aloysius & Mevin Bruno - Sports Secretaries, Vijay R - Academic Secretary.



TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION

On 6th September 2016, the college celebrated teachers' day. The student council along with the class representatives organized a cultural event to entertain the staff. Every teacher and the support staff were honored with a gift as a token of love and appreciation.



PARENT-TEACHERS MEET



SRIJANA - TALENT SHOW

Srijana was held on the 20th of September, to discover the hidden talents of our students. In this talent hunt, the students showcased their extraordinary hidden talents like singing, dancing etc. By this activity the staff and other students got to know the potentials and thus further guidance was provided to improve. The winners of the various individual competitions were awarded prizes.

PARENT - TEACHERS MEET

The parent teachers meet was held on 24th of September. The Rector of SJII, Fr. Leo Pereira, stressed the need for greater collaboration between parents and the institution. The Director of SJCC, Fr. Melwyn Lobo, introduced to the parents the concept of community college & later the parents met the class teachers to discuss the progress of their wards.



FUSION: INTER-HOUSE FEST

The inter-house festival of art, culture and sports was held from 30th November to 2nd December 2016. St. Xavier's house was the overall champion and St. Theresa's were the runners up.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

The birth of Lord Jesus was celebrated on 21st of December 2016. Fr. Felix Victor, Vice Principal of St. Joseph's Indian Composite PU College, was the chief guest for the occasion. Students had made a beautiful crib, they also put up a Christmas tableau and an entertaining fusion dance.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR 2016-17



WAVES: INTER-COLLEGE FEST

An Inter Community College cultural and sports fest was held on 27th of January 2017. Six community colleges participated in the event. Waves witnessed an enthusiastic participation for all the events conducted. The overall winners of WAVES were Bannerghatta Community College and the runner up were St. Joseph's Community College.



EXCURSION - WONDERLA

A day of unlimited thrill and fun! On the 23rd of February 2017, the college organized a one day trip to WONDERLA, a fun amusement park at Bidadi - 35 Kms from Bangalore.

SEMINARS

A seminar on 'Substance Abuse', 'Handling Relationship' and 'Cancer Care' was held on 5th of November 2016 in Picardo Hall. Resource persons included representatives from Alcoholic Anonymous, who spoke on substance abuse. Fr. Renni Ariplackal spoke on handling relationships, and doctors from St. John's Medical College spoke on cancer care.

Mr. Premdeepak attended a day's seminar conducted by ICRDCE, Chennai on 8th February 2017 on NSDC & PMKVY - 2 scheme.

On the 28th of February 2017, the college organized a seminar to enlighten students on psychosexual development of an individual. Fr. Xavier, Fr. Kishore and Mrs. Bindu were the resource persons for the seminar.



SEMINARS



INTERNSHIP

Internship was held from 20th of March to 8th of April 2017. The students were placed in different companies in Bangalore.

GRADUATION DAY

The academic year 2016-17 came to a grand closure with the graduation day held on 19th April 2017. Fr. Jerome Stanislaus D'Souza was the chief guest, Dr. V. K. Sreenivas, Cardiologist Mallya Hospital and Mr. Keerthan, Proprietor Encarta Pharma were the Guests of Honour. During the same event students were awarded certificates of excellence, and 'UJWALA', the college newsletter, was released.

Just remember, you can't climb the ladder of success with your hands in your pockets.
- ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER



CHANGE OF RECTOR

Hearty Thanks to our Former Rector



Fr. Anil D'Mello S.J

A Warm Welcome to Fr. Leo Pereira who took charge from Fr. Anil D'Mello. We look forward to his guidance and support.

A Warm Welcome to our New Rector



Fr. Leo Pereira S.J

MILESTONE IN ADMISSION

The academic year 2016-17 saw a record number of admissions. It is the highest number so far admitted into the college. The college has explored self-learning mode of training to enable working people to obtain skill certification. Through its affiliated institution, St. Joseph's Evening College, three different courses have been started through this mode by SJCC.

TYPE	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
Regular Mode	212	119	331
Self-Learning Mode	71	49	120
Total	283	168	451

TWO NEW COURSES

In the academic year 2016-17 two new courses were started:

Diploma in Banking and Finance



The Banking and Finance course has been launched successfully with the Industry partnership of South Indian Bank.

Diploma in Nursing Assistant.



The Nursing Assistant course has received strong backing as St. Philomena Hospital, Mallya Hospital and Little Sisters of the Poor Old age Home have offered work experience to our students.

INCLUDING THE EXCLUDED

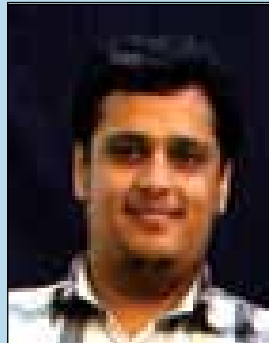


This academic year for the first time we had a transgender seeking admission. Initially it was a difficult decision but admitting such a person in the college has made a great difference in the life of the particular student as well as a positive change among the college students towards transgender.

WELCOME TO NEW STAFF



Br. Royston Pinto
Instructor



Mr. Poornachandra Tejaswi
Computer Instructor



Mrs. Gandhimati
Nursing Staff



Ms. Monika D'Souza
Office Staff

ADVISORY BOARD

An attempt was made this year to form an advisory board consisting of all the Industry partners of our various courses. The advisory board met on 15th July 2016 and deliberated on the syllabus as well as on helping out in skill training.



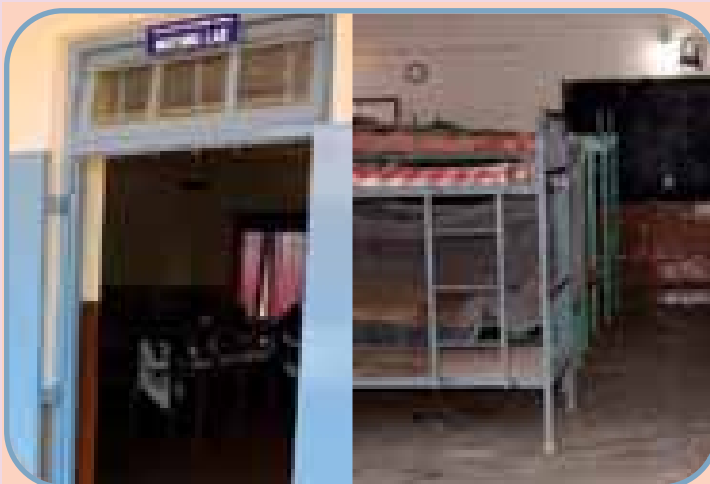
VISIT OF THE NAAC TEAM

The NAAC team made a quick visit to SJCC to know how the UGC approved community college scheme was functioning. The Team was more than satisfied in the way training was imparted to the students here.



NEW FACILITIES

This year students in the college had new facilities like Nursing Lab, Library for reading, and sports materials throughout the year. In the gents' hostel contiguous dormitory and TV room were set up along with study hall and other facilities. Thus an independent hostel atmosphere was created in the gents hostel.



THEOLOGY CLASSES

For the first time the college introduced also theology classes to catholic students and value education to students of other religions. Thus moral and religious values were encouraged among students.

STUDENT'S CORNER



OUR COUNTRY - INDIA By: Sushmitha S.

India- the country of the divine, The country of prosperity
The birth place of Love, The queen of devotion and culture.
A country with democracy, where people toil,
For a clean, non- corrupt India, A country with beauty,
From within the heart of people, A country with unity,
Due to which we say, "Our Country".

SUCCESS OF LIFE By: Ashuviny E.

Life is a gift that has been given to you. It is in your hands to make the best of it--dare to believe that you can. Through the ups and downs, you'll find a lesson to learn that will make you a better person. Each experience--good and bad--makes you grow. Get along with life and surely, things become easier for you. Live for today and enjoy every moment. Capture the best that life has to offer you.

The secret of success is learning how to use pain and pleasure instead of pain and pleasure using you. Be in control of your life lest life controls you. Remember your dreams and fight for them. You must know what you want from life. There is just one thing that makes your dream become impossible: the fear of failure. The greatest day in our life is when we take total responsibility for our attitudes. That's the day we truly grow up.

CHRISTMAS By: Abhijeet Matthew

On this day was born our king,
Son of David, who killed with a sling.
Joy is what the people bring,
With cribs and carols that they sing.
Our savior was born in a manger
Wise men, shepherds and God's ranger
Evil is definitely in danger.
This day is full of joy,
It is the birth of Mary's boy
Death is now just a toy,
With angels now shouting ahoy.
Prophecies were fulfilled here,
God's plan being made crystal clear.
To everyone He feels dear,
And the end of sin is very near.

NEW YEAR By: Manisha

At the sound of the midnight bell. A brand new year begins.
Let's raise our hopes in a confident toast,
To the promises it ushers in.
May your battles be few, And your pleasures many,
Your wishes and dreams be fulfilled,
May your confidence stand in the face of loss,
And give you the strength to rebuild.
May peace of heart fill your days,
May serenity grace your soul.
May tranquil moments bless your life
And keep your spirit whole.

Skilling in India under Community Colleges



Skill development has been an integral part of education system worldwide, be it USA, Germany, Canada, UK, Japan, China and a host of other countries. In some places skill development starts at school level while at other places, it starts at College level. They are known by different names in different countries. More known amongst them are the Community Colleges, which are in existence in USA for about a century. These colleges provide education above the secondary level and below the degree level with appropriate skills, keeping in view the needs of local industry and community, thereby leading to gainful employment and option for horizontal and vertical mobility. While vertical mobility facilitates movement to higher education and research, horizontal mobility creates opportunity for entry into the employment market with appropriate skills.

In this context Skill India is a campaign launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 15 July 2015 with the aim of training over 40 crore people in India in different skills by 2022. SJCC has been in the forefront of

imparting skill education since 2005 and has shaped many lives in imparting a skill and providing gainful employment.

At SJCC through the years we have laid stress on skills learning, gaining knowledge, having a good attitude and an excellent aptitude to match what our industrial partners want along with the required basic minimum education required for that particular job. At SJCC we have tried to align our syllabus to the government policies in this regard to address the skill deficit in the country. We have implemented the Community College scheme under the UGC for one of our programs and we have initiated the process under PMKVY for the other courses and aligned most of our syllabi to the various sector skills council guidelines. SJCC strength is our name, infrastructure, faculty, curriculum, wholesome education and our industry partners which help SJCC go from strength to strength to reach newer heights in skill training. At present community colleges offer only Diplomas but the future could see these colleges offering Degrees in relevant sectors, thereby creating a new skill India.

Mr. Vijay Prassanna
Instructor SJCC

Placement Cell

The real fruit of community college effort is placement of students. St. Joseph's Community College has a dedicated placement cell. There is a campus recruitment program which takes place every year from 1st May to 5th May through which students get placed. After that program too students will continue to be placed as and when they approach the placement cell. The companies which have been placing our students are: St. Marks Hotel, Nandana Hotels, Mangalore Pearl, Reliance Retail, Prajwal Electricals, SYS Technology, Aegis Company, BPO companies, Scent Saloon, Aroma Saloon, Blossom beauty care etc., In the year 2015-16, the overall placement percentage has been 59% and 35% of the students are pursuing their education.



Mr. Sandesh says: I was a student of 2015-16 Hotel Management batch. Currently I am working in Hotel Nandana Palace as Captain. I earn a salary of Rs.11,000. I was placed by the placement cell of St. Joseph's Community College. I am very grateful.

Alumni Association



SJCC has initiated the formation of an Alumni association. The first alumni meet was held on 3rd April 2016. An executive body was elected to take care of the activities; it met twice in the year. The second alumni meet was held on 2nd April 2017. Nearly 200 students gathered and exchanged their memories and had fun and frolic. A coordinating committee has been formed to strengthen the Alumni Association and conduct various activities of the Alumni.

SUCCESS STORIES



Name : Immanuel Christopher
Course : Retail Management
Batch : 2015-16
Position : Senior CSR
First Source Solutions Ltd.
Salary : 19,300/-

The story of my struggle, before I joined SJCC is unexplainable. I used to work as a helper in small companies for a meager salary of Rs. 5000/-. I came to know of SJCC and took admission for the 'Diploma in Retail Management' and successfully completed the Course. Now that my confidence had got a boost, I faced an interview at FSL and secured the job of a senior CSR at First source Solutions. Now I am happy that I earn a good salary and can support my family and my days of struggle are like the frightful dreams of the past. I am thankful to SJCC for bringing the change in my life.



Name : Maria Diana
Course : ITES (UGC)
Batch : 2014 - 15
Position : Associate Expert, Front Office
ITC Gardenia
Salary : 15,500/-

I am Maria Diana. I am from Anepallya, Bangalore. I am the eldest daughter and after my PUC, I wanted to go for higher studies and get a good job, but my dreams were shattered when my father fell ill. Seeing my mother's struggle, I decided to go for work and support her. Since I lacked skills, no one employed me. I heard about St. Joseph's Community College and joined Diploma in ITES (UGC) course. Now I am happily employed at ITC Gardenia Hotel, Bangalore as an Associate Expert, Front Office. I am very grateful to SJCC for helping me in achieving my dreams and supporting my family.



Name : Pemmaiah N. S.
Course : ITES (UGC)
Batch : 2014-15
Position : Facility Executive
Colliers International Pvt. Ltd.
Salary : 22,000/-

I take this valuable opportunity to thank SJCC, for the support and individual care that was provided to me in shaping my future, from the uncertainty that prevailed in my mind. While I was studying at SJCC, there was a strange in-filling of confidence, that made me strong and bold to take up challenges in life. The Diploma in ITES (UGC), acquired me a job at Colliers International Pvt. Ltd., as a Facility Executive, with an excellent remuneration of Rs. 22,000/- per month. I once again thank SJCC and all the faculty who helped in my endeavor.



Name : Sandeep D'Souza
Course : Hotel Management
Batch : 2015-16
Position : Captain
Club Mahindra.
Salary : 15000/-

Hello, I am Sandeep from Banavasi, Uttara Kannada. Basically we are farmers, but I wanted to do something different, I finished my PUC and didn't know what next. That was when I came to know about SJCC from my parish priest. I came to Bangalore and got my admission for Hotel Management, by God's grace and also hostel facility with a concession. Fr. Melwyn Lobo and Fr. Deepak J. K. supported me in academics and athletics equally. Now I have a good job with a decent salary and SJCC changed my life style. I thank SJCC for my transformation.

DIPLOMA IN ITES (UGC) BATCH 2016-17



DIPLOMA IN BANKING & FINANCE BATCH 2016-17



DIPLOMA IN ITES (MGMT) BATCH 2016-17



DIPLOMA IN NURSING ASSISTANT BATCH 2016-17



DIPLOMA IN RETAIL MANAGEMENT BATCH 2016-17



DIPLOMA IN ELECTRICALS & ELECTRONICS BATCH 2016-17



DIPLOMA IN BEAUTY & WELLNESS BATCH 2016-17

