

## ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) PALAYAMKOTTAI - 627 002

(Recognized as "College with Potential for Excellence" by UGC & Accredited by NAAC at A++ Grade with a CGPA of 3.66 out of 4)



### **REJOICE – CENTENARY YEAR CELEBRATIONS**

The following programmes were organized as part of the centenary celebrations.

# ON THE FOUNDATION DAY: 02-07-2023 MINI-MARATHAN AND INAUGURATION OF THE CENTENARY YEAR CELEBRATIONS



Brick Laying Ceremony for the Centenary Building and Centenary Holy mass were held on 08.09.2022. Rev.Fr.Dr.Danis Ponnaih, S.J, Provincial, Jesuit Madurai Province was the main celebrant. Inauguration of Centenary Celebrations was held on 09.09.2022. The chief guests of the day were Hon'ble Thiru. M. Appavu, Speaker of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Rev. Fr. Dr. Danis Ponniah, S.J. Provincial, Jesuit Madurai Province, Thiru. P. M. Saravanan, Mayor of Tirunelveli Corporation, Thiru. K. R. Raju, Deputy Mayor of Tirunelveli Corporation, Thiru. Nainar Nagendran, MLA, Tirunelveli, Thiru. M. Abdul Wahab, MLA, Palayamkottai, Thiru. S. Gnanathiraviam MP, Tirunelveli, Prof. Dr. N. Chandrasekar, Vice-Chancellor, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, Dr. R. Baskaran, Joint Director of Collegiate Education, Tirunelveli, and Dr. M. Joseph Irudaya Xavier, Alumni Association President. Centenary Teaser, Centenary Brochure, Centenary Logo and Centenary Anthem were released on this occasion.



#### A DAY WITH STAND ADOPTED VILLAGE PEOPLE

On 08.10.2022, about 1000 people visited the college campus from 34 villages. They took part in various sports competitions. The chief guest of the day was Mr. V. Vishnu I.A.S District Collector, Tirunelveli. Cultural events were staged by the STAND village people and SXC students.



#### MEMORIAL MASS FOR DEPARTED WHO SERVED THE INSTITUTIONS.

In view of the Centenary year, a memorial mass was offered for the departed souls of Jesuits and Lay-staff (both Teaching and Non-Teaching) who had served the college over the century on 04.11.2022



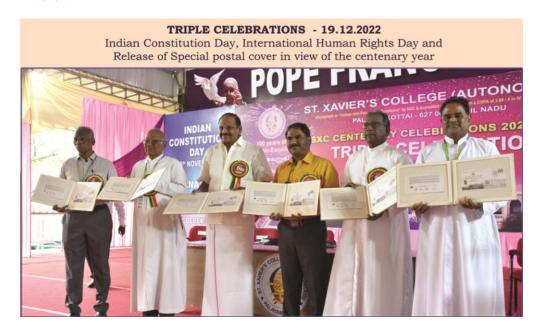
#### **CENTENARY PILGRIMAGE**

Centenary Pilgrimmage to Sri Vaikundam, Manapadu and Uvari, was held on 27.11.2022. Around 250 staff cum their family members joined this journey.



#### **TRIPLE CELEBRATIONS: 19.12.2022**

As part of Triple Celebrations held on 19.12.2022, Indian Constitution Day & International Human Rights Day were celebrated and Centenary special cover was released. The chief guests of the day were Thiru S. Peter Alphonse, Chairman of Minority Commission, Tamil Nadu Government and Thiru. K. Shivaji Ganesh, Senior Superintendent of Post Office, Tirunelyeli Division.



**FOLK FEST: 20.12.2023** 



Folk Fest was held on 20.12.2022. The Chief Guest was Dr. R. Kaleeswaran, Film Director and Folk Artist from Loyola College, Chennai. Eight different folk teams Nathaswaram Naiyandi Melam by Mr. M. Muniasamy & Team, Puliankudi; Kalaivanar Villisai Kalaikulu by Kalaimamani Velavan Sangeetha & team, Tirunelveli; Thappattam & Oyilattam, Mr. M. Senthilkumar & Team, Azhagu Nachiyarpuram, Tirunelveli; Royal Kaniyankoothu by Mr. A.

Marithangam & team, Muninchippatti, Tirunelveli; Tholpavaikoothu by Kalaimuthumani A. Raju & Team, Tirunelveli; Kummiyattam by Mrs. T. Sangareswari & Team, Rajapalayam; and Karakatta Kalaikulu by Nellai Sankarganesh, Tirunelveli, performed on the stage in an excellent manner.

#### **CENTENARY ALUMNI CONGRESS**



Centenary Alumni Congress was held on 28.01.2023. Our illustrious alumni Justice. S.S. Sundar, Mr. Vaiko, MP, Mr. Tirunavukkasar, MP, Rev. Dr. L. Jebamalai Irudayaraj S.J., Provincial, Jesuit Chennai Province, Mr. Sithannan, Superintendent of Police (Retd), G.Jakkaiyan, N.Thalavai Sundaram, MLA, Dr. Jebamalai Vinachiarachi, Former Advisor, UNIDO, Dr.S.M. Rajendran, Principal Scientist, ISRO, Dr. P. Ramasamy, Former Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University attended the function. They shared their experiences at St. Xavier's college. Illustrious alumni, Retried Professors and Non- teaching Staff were also honoured.



#### **SXC@100 EXHIBITION**



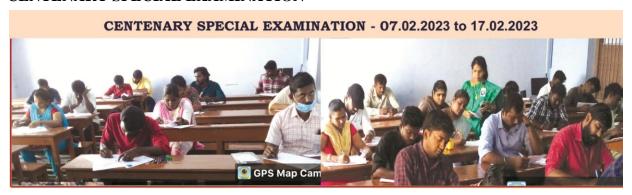
A five day Centenary Exhibition was held from 30.01.2023 to 03.02.2023. The inaugural function was held on 30.01.2023 and the Chief Guest was Er. M. Enamuthu, Scientist & illustrious alumnus of SXC. The valedictory function was held on 03.02.2023. The chief guest was Dr. K. Senthamarai Kannan, Senior Professor & Head, M.S. University. Dr. P. Madhava Soma Sundharam, Professor & Head, M.S. University was the Guest of Honour. 18,358 students from various schools and colleges visited the college to see the exhibits. The tireless efforts of the faculty members and the contribution of the students deserve our appreciation.

#### A WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT QUIZ COMPETITION



A non-stop quiz programme, SXC  $100^2$  QUIZ with 10000 + (exactly10062) questions in 27 hours 41 minutes long event was conducted with a single Quiz Master Mr. S. Muthukumaran, an alumnus of SXC. The participants of this quiz programme were categorized as Junior (below 7th STD), Senior (from 7th to 12th STD), College level (undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral studies) and open category (for all ages). The preliminary quiz was conducted on 25.01. 2023 through online mode in which 2109 persons participated. 186 finalists were called for offline Quiz on 4th and 5th of February 2023. This event is recommended for Limca Book of Records.

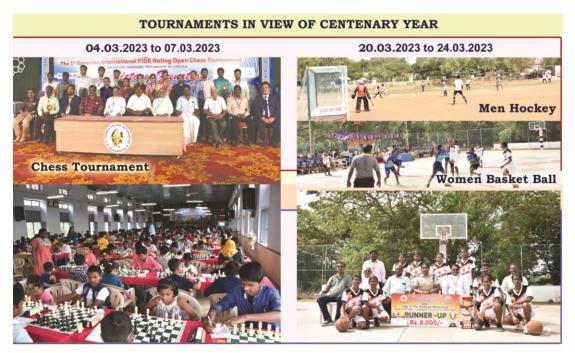
#### CENTENARY SPECIAL EXAMINATION



Centenary Special Examination was conducted with the due permission from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for the students who had arrear from 1987 to 2017 (UG Batch) and 2018 (PG Batch). It was a onetime chance given to the students to get their degrees. 72 applicants appeared for 339 papers. The examinations were held from 07.02.2023 to 17.02.2023. The results of this examination were declared on 23.03.2023. We express our sincere thanks to Dr. S. Athisayanathan, Controller of Examinations, for publishing the results promptly for the benefit of students. The cooperation extended by all the HoDs, Coordinators, Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff to conduct the examinations and valuation process deserves our appreciation.

#### TOURNAMENTS IN VIEW OF CENTENARY YEAR

The first Xaverian International FIDE Rating Open Chess Tournament was held from 4<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> March 2023. 456 players from different countries including USA and Denmark participated in it.



The first Fr. Lebeau Memorial State Level Inter-Collegiate Tournaments: Men Hockey and Women Basket Ball were held from  $20^{th}$  to  $24^{th}$  March 2023. ..... teams consisting of 84 players participated in the events.

The efforts taken by Dr. G. Peter Michael Raj, Director of Physical Education, and other faculty members are commendable.

#### **STAFF TOUR**



In view of the centenary year, Staff tour to Goa was organised for both Teaching and Non-Teaching staff and their family members from 09.03.2023 to 12.03.2023 under the leadership of Rev. Fr. Arul Ravi. S. J., Vice-Principal (Shift I). 114 teaching and non-teaching staff and their family members participated in the tour with enthusiasm.

#### **College Day**

- College day of the academic year 2022-2023 was conducted on 01.04.2023
- The Chief Guest of the day was Hon'ble Palanivel Thiagarajan, Minister for Finance and Human Resource management, Government of Tamilnadu and the Guest of Honour was Prof. K. S. Narayanan, our illustrious alumnus, Former Professor of Chemistry, St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.



#### THANKSGIVING MASS





Centenary Thanksgiving Mass was held on 01.07.2023. Most Rev. Dr. S. Antonysamy, Bishop of Palayamkottai, conducted the Holy Mass. Followed by the mass, all the alumni, priests, and religious people were honoured by the Bishop. Rev. Sr. Dr. L. Vasanthi Medona, ICM, was the Guest of Honour.

