



**St. Mary's College (Autonomous)**  
Reaccredited with 'A+' Grade by NAAC (Cycle IV)  
Thoothukudi



**Criterion: V - Student Support and Progression**  
**5.3 - Student Participation and Activities**  
Year: 2018-2023



### **5.3.2 Presence of an active Student Council & representation of students on academic & administrative bodies/Committees of the institution**

#### **Student Council Report 2018 - 2019**

##### **Orientation Programme**

The academic year 2018-19 commenced on 18 June 2018 for the II and III UG students and on 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018 for the first-year students. The members of the administration took them through the Vision, Mission and Objectives, followed by the rules and regulations of the College and ended with an interactive session with the students and parents. Dr.A.Arockia Mary, the Controller of Examinations briefed the audience about exams, courses and the CIA (Continuous Internal Assessment).



## Student Council Elections

The student council elections were held on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The II and III year undergraduate students cast their e-votes under the supervision of the Students' Council advisors Ms.T.Mary Manonmani, Dr. S. Mary Baptista Janet, Ms. A. Amora, Ms.K.Karthika Rohini, Ms. A. Nirmala Shirely, Dr. Anne Devotta, Dr. S. Bulomine Regi and the members of the Election Committee.

The following candidates were elected: Ms. S. Minmini of III B.Com. as the President, Ms. R. Rathisha of III B.A. English as the Vice President, Ms. T. Shalini of III B.A. History as the Secretary and in the self-supporting stream Ms. H. Angel of III B.Com., as the President, Ms. K. Deekshitha of III B.Sc. Microbiology as the Vice-President and Ms. J. Abinaya of III B.Sc. Mathematics as the Secretary.

## Valedictory of 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Year

On 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018, the Valedictory of 70<sup>th</sup> Jubilee year commenced with the Holy Mass celebrated by Rt. Rev. Jude Paulraj, Bishop, Tirunelveli Diocese followed by a Cultural Fest in the auditorium. Dr. Sr. Josephine Jeyarani, Principal, Servite Arts and Science College for Women, Thogaimalai and Dr. S. Gowsalya, Student Counsellor, St. Mary's College (Autonomous) were the chief guests



## Investiture Ceremony

The investiture ceremony of the Union was held on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018. The office bearers of Students' Council, the Representatives of the Students body, the Presidents and the Secretaries of various associations, clubs and forums assumed office in the presence of the chief Guest Dr. Rev. Sr. Mary Gilda, Principal, Holy Cross Home Science College, Thoothukudi.



## Talentia

Talentia was organized on 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 for the I UG students as a platform to exhibit their talents. The main intention behind the talent show was to promote bonding the new comers with their seniors and with the faculty. Moreover since it did not have the flavour of a competition in itself the performers focussed more on giving their best for the sake of it, rather than for any accolades

## Independence Day

In commemoration of the 72<sup>nd</sup> Independence Day, various competitions like Rangoli, Card Making and Slogan Writing were conducted. Ms. Latha Freeda Joan, Lecturer in Medical Entomology, Thoothukudi Medical College, hoisted the National Flag and addressed the gathering.





## Teachers' Day

Teachers' day was celebrated on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2018 in the auditorium. Students presented saplings to the faculty as a token of their love. There was a special celebration for teachers which included cultural, and games. Dr. R. D. Thilaga, Head of the Department of Zoology spoke on the role played by the teachers in the holistic development of the students.



## Journey of Empowered Marians (JEM) programme

The Journey of Empowered Marians (JEM) programme was conducted from 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018 to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2018 for the III-year UG students. Various skill development activities like Cookery, Photoshop, Short film making, Soft Skills, Life Skills and Aerobic Dance etc., were organized. Well qualified instructors in the respective field gave training to the students. Mr. Stephen and troupe trained the students to perform Kondathattam, Kazhiyal and Silambattam. Dr. S.Vaseekaran & his team members trained our students on First aid treatments. They gave examples, explanations and demonstrations on various treatments. Mrs. V. Malathi, Yoga Instructor in the Art of living Association, Thoothukudi taught the students asanas for better kidney, heart and lung functioning. Ms. Muthu Selvi, Yoga Trainer, St. Mary's College (Autonomous) made the students do certain yoga asanas for better eyesight, to cure wheezing, asthma, cold. The students were also instructed to do asanas for better body flexibility and movement. Sr. Filo, Acupuncture and Pressure Trainer, Asuntha School, Thoothukudi, explained the history and background of the treatment with reference to Bodhidharma. Mr. Sahaya Rajan a documentary photography and screenplay consultant and Mr.Saravanan, Assistant Director, Tamil Cinema Industry displayed few motivational snippets and conveyed their ideas and messages through it. Mr.

A.S.J. Aloysius Devadass, Art Director & Graphic Designer, Media Education Trust, Chennai, gave hands on training to students on “Photoshop”. Dr.Sr.Rubha, Head & Associate Professor of Food Science & Nutrition and Ms. Mari Thangam, Assistant Professor of Food Science & Nutrition, Holy Cross Home Science College, Thoothukudi, gave training on “Baking Preparation”.



### Sales Day

Christmas Sales day was organised on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2018, Mr. J. Singarayan Vaz. Rtd. Divisional Manager, National Insurance Company, Nagercoil and Mrs. Xavier Immaculate Usha, Retired Teacher inaugurated the sales. The profit from the sales was given to the poor.



### Christmas Day celebration

The Christmas Day celebration was held on 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2018 in front of the college chapel. The chief guest Rev. Fr. Julians Marian Joshi, Correspondent, St. Thomas Matriculation Hr. Sec. School, Thoothukudi delivered the Christmas message on the joy of loving, caring and sharing. Rev. Fr. Benjamin De Souza, Director, TMSSS, Thoothukudi was the guest of honour. The Christmas joy and gifts were shared with the less fortunate children of the neighbouring schools.





### Pongal Day

Pongal day was celebrated on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2019 in the college premises. The chief guests were Mr. Rajendra Boopathy, Head of Korampallam River Farmers Union and Mrs. Rajathi, Founder of Morning Star Social and Educational Society. Traditional Games like Uri adithal, Hop Race, Rangoli, Hide and Seek, Kaai Maraithal were conducted for the students, teaching and non-teaching staff. The students performed traditional dances like Karagam, Oyilatam, Parai, Silambatam, and Gummi.



### National Voters Day

National Voters Day was celebrated on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2019. All the students present at the function took the Voters' Day pledge. Rangoli Competition and Snake and Ladder Game connected to Voters' Day were conducted to encourage and facilitate the student voters to exercise their votes.



### Republic Day

On 26<sup>th</sup> January 2019, Dr.Major.P.Prabakaran, Retired Associate Professor of Economics, Aditanar College of Arts and Science, Tiruchendur hoisted the National Flag and delivered the Republic Day message



### Annual Sports Meet

The 64 Annual Sports Meet was held on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019 with great zeal and excitement. The Chief guests were Mr. M. Tamilselvan, ICC, Olympian and Recipient of Arjuna Award and Mr.S.D.Ponseelan, President, Tamil Nadu Amateur Weight Lifting Association. More than 10 inter- departmental games were organised and the Department of Economics won the overall championship and the department of HR Commerce bagged the overall shield for athletic events. On the eve of sports meet, different cultural events like Aerobics, Kondathattam, Sila aattam and Kazhiyal were performed by the students. Various interesting games were conducted for the staff and students





### **Marian Art Fest**

On 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 and 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019, the grand “Marian Art Fest-2019” was celebrated. Every year, this event is looked forward to and celebrated with great pomp. Every department strives to showcase their best talents. Dr. Chandra Pushpam, Senior Announcer, All India Radio, Tirunelveli inaugurated the fest on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2019. 15 solo events, 2 duet events and 7 group events were conducted and 41 judges were invited. Ms. Sivakami, Principal, Government Music School, Thoothukudi was the chief guest for the valedictory function. The Department of English bagged the Over All Shield for group events and the Department of Commerce for single events in the Marian Art fest 2019.



### **Graduation Day**

The 38<sup>th</sup> Graduation Day was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 at 4.30 p.m in the Open-Air Auditorium. Dr. Santhos Baboo., Registrar, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli delivered the graduation address and distributed the degree certificates to 905 young Marian graduates.





### **Annual Day**

The 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Day was celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Dr. C. Pandiammal, Regional Joint Directorate of Collegiate Education, Tirunelveli was the Chief Guest. She pointed out the importance of women's education in the development of the society. Dr. C. Vasuki, Principal, Wavoo Wajeeha College, Kayalpatnam, Tiruchendur was the Guest of Honour. She spoke about how education plays a prominent role in shaping the career. The principal, Dr. Sr. A.S. J. Lucia Rose presented the annual report and highlighted the key achievements of the year. The retiring teaching and non-teaching staff members were felicitated. The meritorious and academic toppers were awarded and appreciated. The Marian Artists rocked the stage with colourful performance.

### **Valedictory function**

The Valedictory function of the associations, clubs and forums was held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019. Dr. A. Suruliandi M.E., Ph.D., Controller of Examinations, Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli was the Chief Guest. He inspired the students with his knowledge and expertise.

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