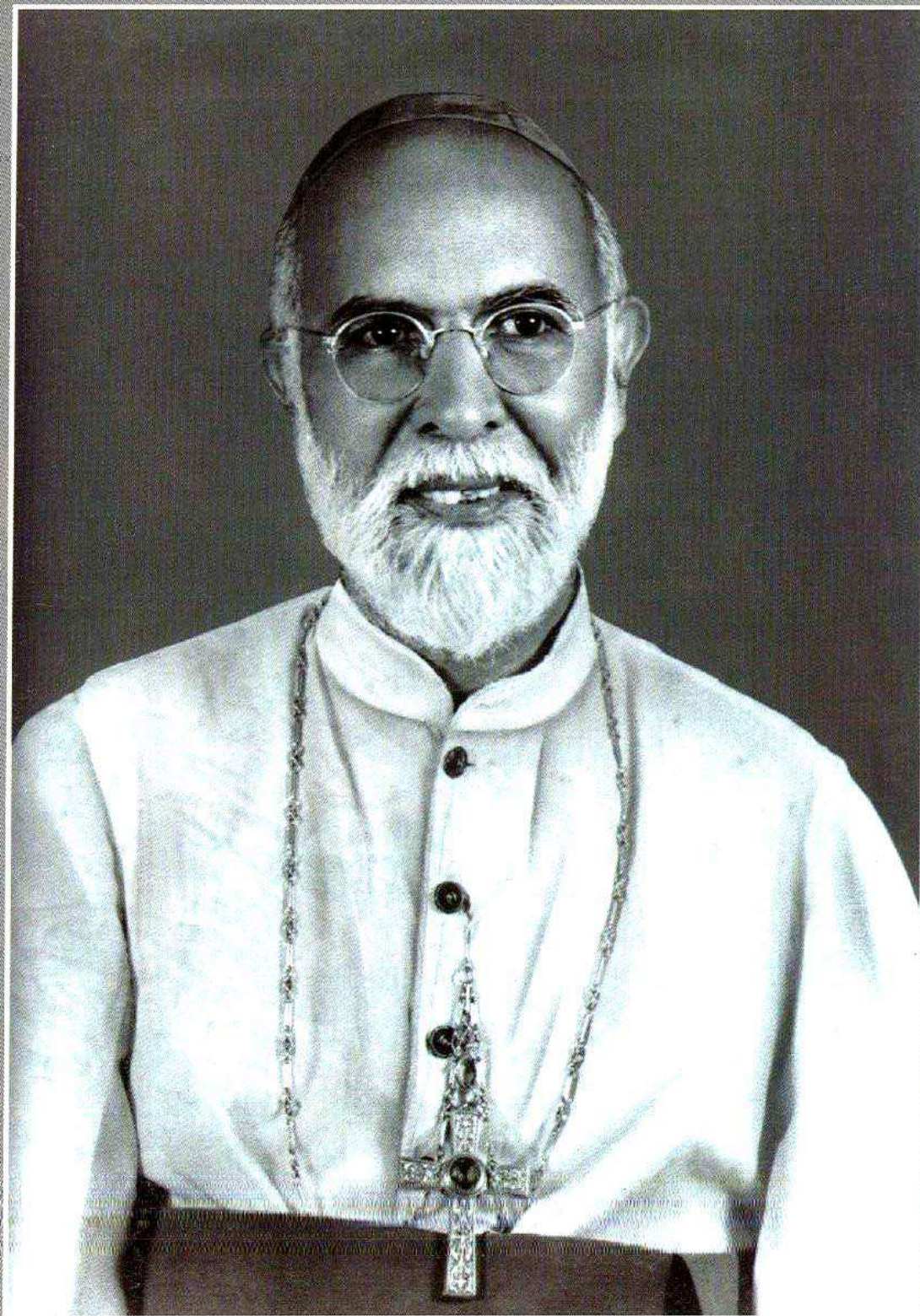




Rev. Fr. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach

SUPERIOR GENERAL OF THE SOCIETY OF JESUS

OUR SINCERE GRATITUDE



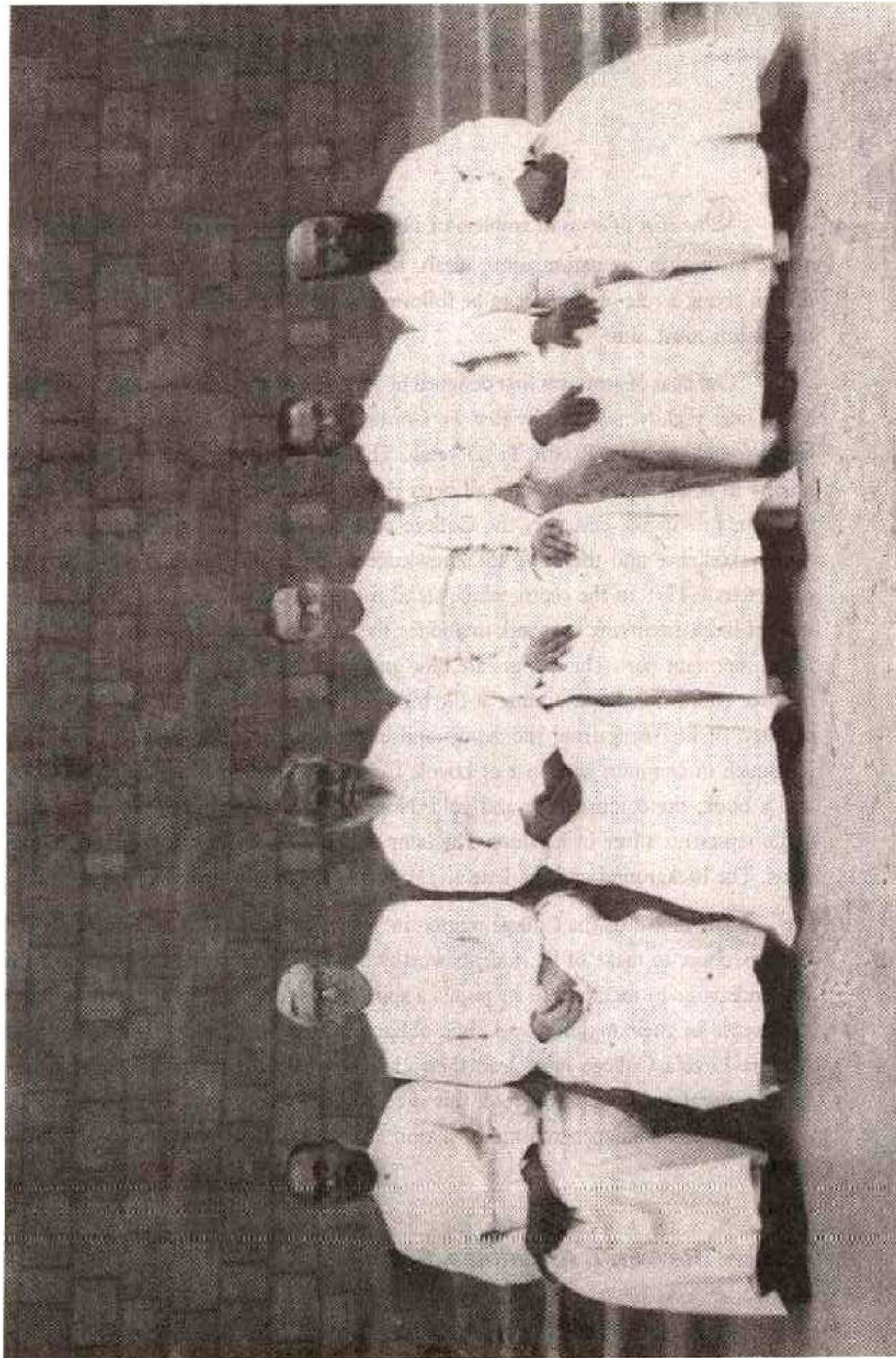
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The Founding Fathers of ALC



(L-R) Fr. G. Stanislaus Subbiah, Fr. B. J. Coyle, Fr. Kamam F. Deviah, Fr. T. A. Mathias, Fr. T. Baliah, and Br. I. Joseph



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President's Secretariat
Rashtrapati Bhavan

New Delhi – 110004
17th February, 2004



MESSAGE

The President of India, Dr.A.P.J. Abdul Kalam, is happy to know that the Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, is celebrating its Golden Jubilee and bringing out a Souvenir on the occasion.

The President extends his warm greetings and felicitations to the teachers, students and staff and hopes that the College will provide a congenial and conducive atmosphere for fostering intellectual pursuits coupled with the spirit of communal harmony and national integration.

The President also sends his best wishes for the success of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations and the Souvenir.

Srikanth
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PRESS SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT



Surjit Singh Barnala
Governor of Andhra Pradesh



Raj Bhavan, Hyderabad
7th February, 2004

MESSAGE

I am extremely happy to learn that Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, is celebrating its GOLDEN JUBILEE on February 12, 2004, at Vijayawada.

The greatest wealth a Nation can possess is its youth, well disciplined and well educated. An important aspect of Human Resource Development is education. Education is a much wider concept than training. Equipping the youth with skills is important. However, the purpose of education goes beyond that. Education must instill in the young the thirst for knowledge and the spirit of inquiry. There should be no unquestioned acceptance of anything. It is this spirit of continuous inquiry that can lead to advancement. The spirit of adventure in ideas has to be an integral part of education.

The progress that we as a country make will depend on the quality of education that is being imparted. We need more and more institutions which place emphasis on EXCELLENCE.

I wish the Golden Jubilee Celebrations all success.

SURJIT SINGH BARNALA



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DR. Y. S. RAJASEKHARA REDDY
Chief Minister - Andhra Pradesh



Hyderabad
10th June, 2004

MESSAGE

I am extremely happy to learn that Andhra Loyola College of Vijayawada has completed fifty fruitful years as one of the premier institutions of higher learning and is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year.

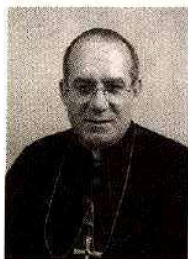
Ever since Andhra Loyola appeared in the educational firmament, it has been imparting quality education imbued with ethical and moral values, which are so essential in today's complex and turbulent world. In this connection, *I fondly recall my own experiences as a student in Andhra Loyola which left a deep impact on me.*

Countless Alumni of this College have served the Country in prestigious and responsible positions with great distinction. I am sure the present generation of students who are privileged to be at Andhra Loyola will scale even greater heights of excellence and bring credit to their Alma Mater.

I earnestly hope that the College would continue to strive in its noble objectives in the true spirit of its Golden Jubilee and mould thousands of youth as a pride of the Nation.

I wish the Golden Jubilee celebrations a grand success.

Y. S. RAJASEKHARA REDDY



APOSTOLIC NUNCIATURE IN INDIA

New Delhi

16th January, 2004

MESSAGE

I am happy to learn that the Andhra Loyola College is celebrating its Golden Jubilee during the academic year of 2003-2004, and that a Golden Jubilee Souvenir is being released to mark the occasion.

Close on the heels of the Double Jubilee of Jesuits in Andhra – 300 years of the arrival of the French Jesuits to Andhra and the founding of the Carnatic Mission, and 50 years of the arrival of the Madurai Jesuits to Andhra, the Golden Jubilee of the Andhra Loyola College is an important landmark in the history of the Church in Andhra Pradesh.

Quality education has always been a trademark of Jesuits throughout their history, and Andhra Loyola College is no exception. During these fifty years, the College has strived to achieve the Jesuit educational goal of "forming men and women for others". Rev. Fr. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, Superior General of the Order, has further spelled out this goal as "aiming to form leaders in service, in imitation of Christ Jesus, men and women of competence, conscience and compassionate commitment." Included therein is concern for the poor and marginalized, respect for life, and commitment to help build a more just and humane community.

While I extend my congratulations and warmest best wishes to the Principal, staff and students of Andhra Loyola College, I pray that the Jubilee Celebration be an occasion for pledging a fuller commitment to the ideal of education envisioned by the Church and the Society of Jesus.

With my prayerful wishes and blessings, I remain,

Yours sincerely In Christ,

ARCHBISHOP PEDRO LOPEZ QUINTANA



PETER-HANS KOLVENBACH, S.J.
SUPERIOR GENERAL OF THE SOCIETY OF JESUS



Rome

The First Day of January, 2004

MESSAGE

It is with pleasure that I join the Staff and Students, past and present, of Andhra Loyola College as you count the innumerable blessings you have received throughout the past fifty years, and the significant contribution the College has made to enhance the quality of life of the entire subcontinent of India. St Ignatius of Loyola, our Patron, inspired his followers, the Jesuits, to dedicate themselves for the mission of education because he was keenly aware of the liberating and humanizing effects of learning, and the depth and brilliance that life is endowed with, through genuine formation. What the people of Andhra were asking for when they invited the Society to found Andhra Loyola College fifty years ago was excellence, and excellence has indeed been the hall-mark of this premier institution of higher education.

With pride we encounter Loyola's alumni in every part of India, and even beyond, contributing significantly as citizens and professionals to enrich the lives of our brothers and sisters. The spirit that is imparted to Loyola's students incorporates a vision that enables them to discover nobility and significance in every human person, big or small, rich or poor, but with a heart that prompts them to lean more towards uplifting the weak, the marginalized and the poor.

I pray the Lord to continue to bless Andhra Loyola College, all the members of the Staff, and all the students, past and present, and to deepen its spirit of dedication and its pursuit of excellence, so that the College may remain creatively faithful to its original vision and to that of the Society of Jesus.

Peter-Hans Kolvenbach

PETER-HANS KOLVENBACH, S.J.
Superior General of the Society of Jesus



SOCIETY OF JESUS

Lisbert D'Souza, S.J.
Provincial of India, and President,
Jesuit Conference of South Asia

Jesuit Residence
New Delhi -India

MESSAGE

"One must wait till evening to see how splendid the day has been," wrote the philosopher Schopenhauer. Fifty years is time enough for all to see how splendid the service rendered to education by Andhra Loyola College has been. As one who has recently visited this institution, I carry warm memories of its spacious grounds, well-constructed buildings, excellent infrastructural facilities, and fine programmes.

But it is relationships, more than programmes, facilities and structures that form persons. And it is formation, more than information that Andhra Loyola College ambitions to offer. Such formative relationships between staff and students have been a special contribution of Andhra Loyola College, as several alumni will gratefully testify. It is the personal care and guidance, the example of committed service and personal integrity that most marks students. And it is these formative relationships which "form men and women for others" that we look forward to from Andhra Loyola College in the years ahead, as has been true of it in times past.

Yet formation has a context. As Andhra Loyola College embarks on a fresh fifty years of service, it seeks to emphasize two struts for this context: one academic and the other social. On the Academic level, it is research that will receive special attention in the years ahead. Creative responses to the challenging issues of our time are what the country needs. Fostering such a mentality of research, promoting a culture of excellence is how Andhra Loyola College means to meet this need. On the Social level, ALERT, a programme to involve students in the service of the marginalized in the neighbourhood and foster social consciousness and responsibility will be launched. Students in Higher Education need to realize that the privilege of such studies carries a responsibility for those unable to afford such studies. May those who have the privilege of studying at Andhra Loyola College also see it a privilege to serve the poor and those least esteemed in society.

Our warm wishes and prayers accompany the efforts of Andhra Loyola College as it strives to produce men and women who will be the leaders of tomorrow, men and women who will make a difference. May the College look back with equal pride and satisfaction on its achievements fifty years hence as it does today.

LISBERT D'SOUZA, S.J.
Provincial Andhra Pradesh
President, Jesuit Conference of South Asia



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ANDHRA JESUIT PROVINCE

Fr. S. Joe Sebastian, S.J.
Andhra Jesuit Province

Provincial's Office
Hyderabad



MESSAGE

On the memorable occasion of the Golden Jubilee celebration of Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, I am indeed, delighted to greet and congratulate the entire family of the College, in the name of the Jesuit Province of Andhra Pradesh. I cherish fond memories of my stay and service in the College for 12 long years.

Three hundred years ago, the French Jesuits founded the Carnatic Mission as a Mission for our Telugu people. They toiled in the Telugu country for over hundred years and founded the Christian communities and the Catholic Church in Andhra Pradesh. This year, we recall and celebrate the Tri-centennial Jubilee of their arrival in our sacred soil. For various reasons, their first entry came to a halt till the Jesuits of Madurai Province re-entered our Telugu land in 1953. Hence, the Andhra Jesuit Province itself remembers and celebrates these two events in its Tri-Centennial and Golden Jubilee celebrations.

Jubilee is an occasion to reminisce and re-live the moments of the origin of an institution as well as its successive growth stages, with gratitude for the past and with hope for a still better future. Our founding Fathers – both the Jesuits and the local collaborators – shed their sweat and blood and nurtured the fledgling institution with tender, loving care and hoped that their dream for an institution that fashions men and women for others would one day become a reality. Indeed, that reality it has become, in the last fifty years. Generations of Jesuits, our dear benefactors, dedicated staff members, the students who are the glory of the college and the well-wishers, have collectively contributed their mite to the realization of this dream. All of us can be proud of this achievement, because all of us are part of it.

Achievements of the past impel and urge us to hope for the future. As ALC family, you are just fifty years old! But you belong to a tradition that is more than 450 years old : the Jesuit tradition. It is a tradition in which a student who enters the portals of a Jesuit educational institution, is not only shaped intellectually, but is moulded into a responsible citizen of the country and a response-able person who reaches out to fellow human beings in need; whose growth and emotional maturity and artistic capabilities are developed and brought forth; and who is sent into the world as a more human and humane person. This is not the end of the story. It is a tradition in which the formation is on-going; the relationship is ever-growing and the bond of friendship everlasting. It is a tradition in which those whose seeds were helped to sprout, become planters; those who were acted upon become active agents of social change, collaborators in the transformation of the larger society, and creators of a new earth, where there is less sorrow but more joy; less injustice but more justice; less inequality but more equality; less hatred but more love; less hoarding and corruption, but more giving and sharing.

As a Loyolite, wherever you are and whatever you do, you are called to leave behind the fragrance of this tradition; to be men and women for others, particularly the poor and the needy. This is the ultimate purpose of life, the ultimate meaning of Jesuit education and the ultimate goal of the 'Golden' Andhra Loyola College.

Once again, greetings, good wishes and congratulations to all in the ALC family.

With the kindest regards,

FR. S. JOE SEBASTIAN, S.J.

Provincial

**JESUIT MADURAI PROVINCE**

Francis P. Xavier, S.J.
Provincial

South India
3rd January, 2004

MESSAGE

I am very happy to know that Andhra Loyola College is celebrating its Golden Jubilee. Occasions like this fill us with joy and legitimate pride because this college has served the people these last fifty years admirably. Though it was started primarily to educate the catholic students, it always kept the doors open for non Catholics. In fact, the majority of the students have been the non-Catholics. Thus this college has served the people of Andhra transcending caste and creed; hundreds and thousands of students have passed through the portals of this college and are well placed in life. We meet the alumni in all walks of life.

We Jesuits do not run colleges for name and fame; much less for monetary benefit. What we aim at through our schools and colleges is to impart integral formation to our students. Our students are to be formed as full-fledged human beings who are content and happy and go beyond themselves to live for others. It is not just the excellent learning atmosphere that makes our colleges great but the enviable rapport the teachers have with the students, the self confidence they gain to tackle their problems and the sensitivity they imbibe to care for the neighbours add to its glory. Andhra Loyola Constantly strives to achieve this goal. I wish and pray that this great institution should see many more Jubilees and form millions of students in love and service of people.

With kind regards,

Yours in Christ

FRANCIS P. XAVIER, S.J.
Provincial

**NAGARJUNA UNIVERSITY**

Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy, M.Com., Ph.D.,
Vice-Chancellor

27th January, 2004

MESSAGE

I am happy to note that the Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, is bringing out a Souvenir on the occasion of Golden Jubilee celebrations. Andhra Loyola College is known as one of the best colleges in the State to impart quality education and about 50,000 students have passed through the portals of the college and has produced several civil servants/Academicians/Professionals/Entrepreneurs and politicians.

On the occasion of the Golden Jubilee celebrations it is the duty of every one to recall the services of all those associated with the growth & development of the Institution.

I wish the college to grow further and further and strive for the cause of higher education. On this occasion, I wish them all success.

With best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

L. VENUGOPAL REDDY

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH**

K. Prabhakara Reddy, I.A.S.,
Collector & District Magistrate

24th February, 2004
Krishna District

MESSAGE

I am happy to note that Andhra Loyola College, founded in 1953, has completed 50 years of service in the field of higher education. Andhra Loyola College which is an asset to this area had been serving in maintaining as well as promoting not only educational standards but also producing very highly disciplined and worthy persons to the Nation.

It is gratifying to note that the College was granted Autonomy as early as 1988, and has also been accredited by NAAC with a high ranking for imparting Quality education at Intermediate, undergraduate and post-graduate courses. I also wish that the College would develop into a Research centre and a centre for excellence in the field of higher education.

I also feel proud to have been associated with the College for its Golden Jubilee Celebrations.

I wish that the College would continue to stand as a Model to all the Colleges of Andhra Pradesh in general and the neighboring Colleges of Vijayawada in particular.

I congratulate all the Jesuit Fathers, the Lecturers and the staff who served the College in the past and who are presently serving for taking the College to these great heights, with their continuous, selfless services.

I wish the College every success to reach greater heights in future.


K. PRABHAKAR REDDY

**MUNICIPAL CORPORATION - VIJAYAWADA**

Panchumarthy Anuradha
Mayor

26th February, 2004

**MESSAGE**

I am extremely happy to learn that the Andhra Loyola College is bringing out a Souvenir coinciding with College's Golden Jubilee Celebrations.

The Andhra Loyola College is a premier educational institution catering to the needs of not only Vijayawada city but also to the entire student community of Andhra Pradesh. This college produced a galaxy of personalities such as Sri Jaya Prakash Narayan I.A.S., founder Convener, Lok Satta, and many more I.A.S. and I.P.S. officers working in various capacities. Also we find several Doctors, Computer engineers and Chartered accountants working in several Foreign countries especially in U.S.A. They are all proud products of Andhra Loyola College.

I wish the Golden Jubilee celebrations a grand success.

Panchumarthy Anuradha
Mayor

**MUNICIPAL CORPORATION - VIJAYAWADA**

V. Usha Ranil, I.A.S.
Commissioner

26th February, 2004

MESSAGE

On this happy occasion of Andhra Loyola College celebrating its Golden Jubilee during this Academic year 2003-2004, I offer my felicitations and best wishes to all the Jesuit fathers, the teaching, community and the supportive staff of the college.

It is a well known fact to all the people of Andhra Pradesh that the college has moulded hundreds of eminent Administrators and thousands of committed and principled teachers, lecturers teaching in schools, colleges and Universities in every corner of India. Many an Alumnus of this college has also earned international repute. It is also interesting to note that the college not only has produced great IAS Officers like Padmasri S.R.Rao garu but also great Political leaders who have been serving the people of Andhra Pradesh. In every one of these great men the humanitarian values that the institution specially cares to imprint among its products can clearly be felt.

On this occasion of the college turning gold I salute the vision of the benefactors of this college, whose hard work put in on 1953, has resulted in turning out fifty thousand jewels in fifty Golden Years.

I wish the college a greater success in future and wish them to remain as leaders in the field of higher education in the state of Andhra Pradesh.

V.USHA RANI



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THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HYDERABAD

Most. Rev. Marampudi Joji
Archbishop of Hyderabad

5th January, 2004



MESSAGE

Greetings from the Archdiocese of Hyderabad.

I am aware of the Golden Jubilee of your College which has completed fifty years of glorious service in the field of higher education. I am happy to send this message of greetings, congratulations and good wishes.

As a school boy and later as a student in the Seminary, I used to watch with amazement and expectation the magnificent buildings coming up in the one time paddy fields at the foot of the Gunadala hill. Later as a priest, I spent much of my life in and around Gunadala, close to the College and I was treated by the College Fathers as one of them sharing in their joys and sorrows.

In God's providence I became the bishop of Vijayawada and I used to count ALC as one of the precious treasures of the Diocese and the visiting Bishops, especially from the North used to feel jealous of my diocese having such a magnificent College, with such beautifully laid out campus fit enough to be a University.

Your avowed aim is to form leaders who are intellectually competent, open to growth, religious, loving and committed to doing justice in generous service to others without any prejudice based on race, religion, caste or language. The recently concluded Alumni Golden jubilee celebration is proof that you have done your best and continue to do your best to achieve this aim. You have eminent men in different walks of life, spread all over India and abroad, of whose caliber and character, any alma mater can be proud of.

On this august occasion I express my whole hearted and sincere appreciation for your services and pray that God continue to bless the college to serve the youth of India by quality education and character formation, so that your alumni and alumnae will be in the forefront of our nation building.

With all good wishes

Yours Sincerely,

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M. Joji

Archbishop of Hyderabad.



DIOCESE OF VIJAYAWADA

Most. Rev. Mallavarapu Prakash
Bishop of Vijayawada

Bishop's House
7th January, 2004

MESSAGE

Congratulations and best wishes for the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the Andhra Loyola College, a jewel in the crown of Vijayawada city! I am proud of its achievements, as I am a past student of the Intermediate batch of 1969-70 and one who was so affectionately honored by the college with the title of Loyola Ratna at the beginning of this Golden Jubilee year.

Enabling youth through education and skill enhancement is more critical today than at any other because there is the need to endorse the potential of information and communication technologies to take the education agenda forward. With such tools as multimedia and computer laboratories that can deliver educational video and data, the future of the nation powering its way to superpower status in the foreseeable future is possible. This is a time of unprecedented expansion of knowledge. The gift of self in service to God and one's brethren in a life of total commitment is the goal set by the men of the order of St. Ignatius. In these 50 years you have shown that you are open to the challenge of modern education empowered by your spiritual wisdom and discipline.

Any society needs amongst other things, an imaginative, institutional, educational set up, as this is an important aspect for the future of the society. It is not merely a question of teaching but an integral education for the complete development of the whole person. In this perspective every society must be attentive to the spiritual, moral and transcendental elements of formation, which gives the youth a base, to root their lives on values that make for their future happy living. We must reassert that spiritual life is fundamental to every human being because the issue involves the future of the human being and of society together with the values and ethical approaches. Like the young man in the Gospel (Mt 19:16) the man of the third millennium also turns to Jesus the GOOD TEACHER to obtain from the light of truth, concerning what is good and evil. The Jesuit educational tradition of Andhra Loyola College has upheld this challenge in these 50 years.

My best wishes and thanks for your loyal collaboration with the Magisterium of the church. May your wise intuitions, research and probing, serve to enlighten your students to become a spiritual force for the renewal of our nation. May all the students who enter the portals of this esteemed institution be formed as leaders in service, in imitation of Christ Jesus, to be men and women of competence, conscience and compassionate commitment.

My blessings and good wishes are always with you,

Yours sincerely in Lord Jesus,

+ *Prakash M.*

+Prakash Mallavarapu
(Bishop of Vijayawada)



DIOCESE OF KURNOOL



Most. Rev. Gorantla Johannes, D.D.,
Bishop of Kurnool

3rd February, 2004

MESSAGE

Cordial greetings to you in the blessed name of Jesus the 'once for all Saviour'.

What an achievement to be proud of! "Forming men and women for others" is just an extension of Christ's Mission. Looking back 50 years there is every reason to be proud of for the Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada. But looking 50 years ahead, there lies an awesome task forcing us on to our knees. The Christian faith permeated quality and value of education offered in Loyola has very much to do with the values and standards manifested in various walks of the life of the society today, be it by Catholics, Christians or non – Christians.

While Christ's incarnation is first and final, there remains to fulfill what is lacking in the suffering of Christ as St. Paul put it. It is not Sambavami Yuge, yuge but sambavami in each individual here and now that is the goal. You the formulators, they the formed are all extension of the one Incarnation of Christ. It is a lofty mission, and a sweat yoke. While I heartfully congratulate you all for defusing the beam of light and knowledge in the spirit of Christ, I sincerely pray for sufficient strength to carry the baton to the generation to come.

With Blessings,

+ G. Johannes

GORANTLA JOHANNES, D.D.
Bishop of Kurnool



DIOCESE OF NALGONDA

Most. Rev. Govindu Joji
Bishop's House

2nd January, 2004

MESSAGE

I am delighted to learn that Andhra Loyola College is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year and that a Souvenir will be brought out on this occasion.

I gladly join you and all your associates to rejoice and thank God for all that he has accomplished in and through your institution. On this occasion my warmest congratulations to you, the members of your staff and all those individuals who brought the college to its present status.

It is heartening to learn that you are providing higher education in a Christian atmosphere of all-round excellence. While academic excellence is important in a society, which is becoming increasingly competitive, far more important, is character formation and human formation. This is a prized contribution a Catholic educational institution can give.

As a token of my appreciation, I am sending you my blessings with a prayer that Almighty God may reward you and all your associates with an abundance of His joy and peace.

With every best wish,

+ T. Joji.

+ GOVINDU JOJI
Bishop of Nalgonda



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DIOCESE OF KHAMMAM



Most. Rev. Maipan Paul
Bishop of Khammam

12th February, 2004

MESSAGE

I am very much pleased to hear that you are celebrating the Golden Jubilee of the Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada. I join with you and all the members of the Society of Jesus to praise God as you celebrate the Golden Jubilee of Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada. Fifty years of service in the formation and education of youth was spectacular and has contributed excellent men of character and calibre for the nation. The abundant blessings of God is seen in its growth and expansion for the last fifty years. I congratulate every member of the Society for their selfless service and dedication.

While appreciating your initiative to celebrate Golden Jubilee and bring out a Souvenir to thank God, I implore God's abundant blessings upon the college and its activities. I wish and pray that the college will continue to witness to God's love and manifest His Glory as it grows in His Grace.

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+ MAIPAN PAUL
Bishop of Khammam

**ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE SECUNDERABAD**

Most Rev. Samineni Arulappa
Archbishop Emeritus of Hyderabad

30th December, 2003

MESSAGE

The Golden Jubilee of Andhra Loyola College marks an important milestone in the history of Andhra Jesuit Province. The entry of Jesuits in the present Andhra Pradesh began with this college at the instance of Andhra Bishops. Fr. Karanam Deviah S.J. and Fr. T. Baliah S.J. who have already gone to their eternal reward were the pioneers who had a great vision.

My link with this college was through its first principal, Fr. Theo Mathias S.J., who was earlier my principal at Madras Loyola College. His administrative skill and academic excellence greatly helped the new college, in spite of initial hurdles. The principals who succeeded him have also contributed towards its remarkable growth and development.

During my visits to the college after I became the Archbishop of Hyderabad, I have observed the zeal and enthusiasm of the Jesuit Fathers and the staff, who certainly played a key role in maintaining high standards.

Today we notice its past alumni shining practically in every field. They have brought real credit to the institution. They seem to have acquired discipline and real values for life.

The college has acquired autonomy in course of time. Thus it has certain independence in framing its courses. The P.G. courses are still governed by the university system. The Catholic boys are shown special consideration. Option for the poor is really put into action. We have every reason to rejoice on the occasion of this Golden Jubilee and thank God who is ultimately responsible for everything.

I do thank everyone who has played any role in the growth and development of this college. I implore God's blessings on all on this auspicious occasion.

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+ S. ARULAPPA

Former Archbishop of Hyderabad



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Bishop Mathew cheriankunnel, PIME
Bishop Emeritus of Kurnool
Karunapuram - Badrachalam
Khammam District.

2nd January, 2004



MESSAGE

I join the past and present staff, students, friends and well-wishers of Andhra Loyola College, Vijayawada, to praise and thank God for the innumerable blessings He has lavished on this great institution during the past fifty years. One is amazed at the marvellous progress the college has made.

Several are the persons who worked hard to make Andhra Loyola College what it is today. I recall with a sense of gratitude all the Bishops of Andhra Pradesh in general and in particular Bishop Ambrose Battista, PIME, and Bishop Ignatius Mummadi in particular who invited the Jesuits to open a college parallel to the Loyola College of Chennai (Madras). I can see in the memory lane late Brother Giani David, PIME, going round the Loyola complex, sometimes measuring the place and some times scolding or encouraging the masons. But all for one aim: to make Andhra College a unique institution.

I invoke God's blessings and the protection of Saint Ignatius of Loyola, the pioneer of modern education, on all who have contributed their generous help for the foundation and rapid growth of Andhra Loyola College.

On this glorious occasion of the Golden Jubilee of the college I would earnestly request the staff to keep aloft the noble ideals for which the college was started 50 years ago. I also request the students of today to imbibe the true spirit of education, namely, thirst for knowledge, spirit of hard work and uprightness. I would like to motivate them to walk in the foot-steps of our President, APJ Abdul Kalam, who has been proud of Jesuits who instilled in him love for knowledge and spirit of initiative.

In conclusion, I join all those who associate themselves with Loyola College to praise and thank God on the occasion of these Golden Jubilee celebrations. I pray that Loyola College will reach still higher levels of perfection.

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| 4. 1972 - 1984 | Rev. Fr. G. Francis |
| 5. 1984 - 1991 | Rev. Fr. T. Inniah |
| 6. 1991 - 1993 | Rev. Fr. J. Kuriakose |
| 7. 1993 - 1997 | Rev. Fr. C.J. John |
| 8. 1997 - 1999 | Rev. Fr. Dr. D. Showraiah |
| 1999 - 2001 | Rev. Fr. C. Peter Raj |
| 9. 2001 - 2002 | Rev. Fr. S. Philomin Raj |
| 10. 2001 - | Rev. Fr. C. Peter Raj |



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ANDHRA LOYOLA COLLEGE A MUCH - LOVED INSTITUTION

Fr. Theo Mathias, S.J.

Founder Principal of Andhra Loyola College

Currently, Emeritus Professor, XLRI.

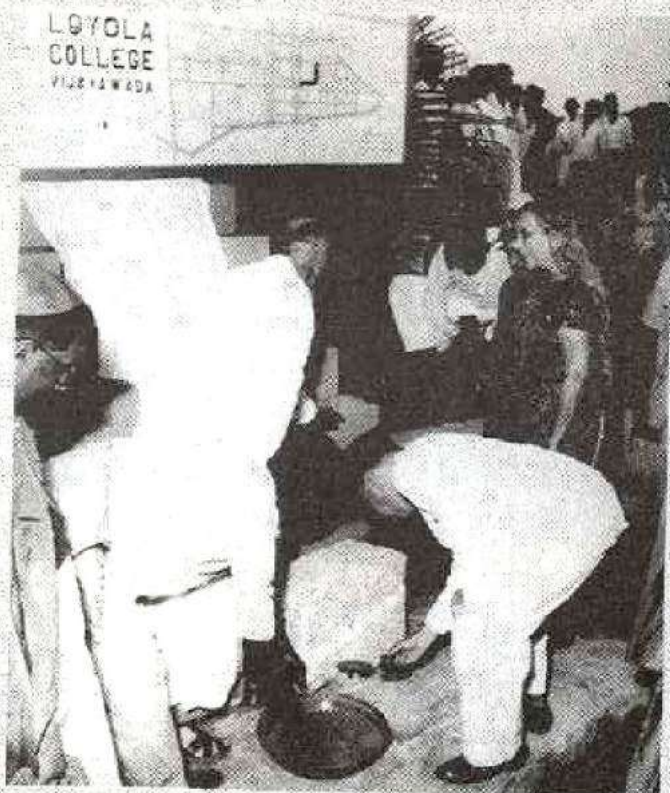


Writing about an institution and the people connected with it is not an easy task after 50 years have passed and, above all, when the ties of affection remain as strong as ever. Nevertheless, that's what I'm going to attempt in these lines. However, for those who read this, please remember that memory for dates and figures may sometimes play tricks.

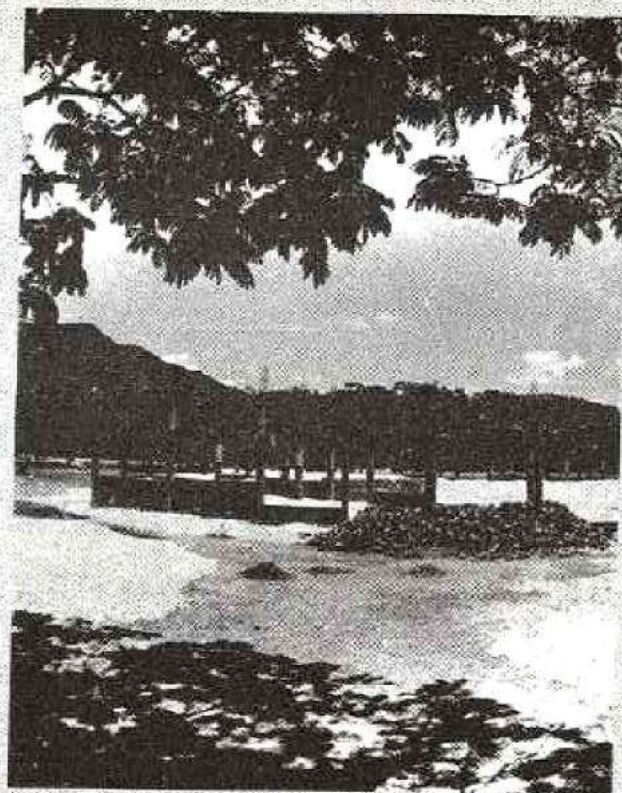
My Appointment

I was Principal of Loyola, Madras, in December 1953 when the foundation stone for the new Loyola in Vijayawada was laid on Dec. 9 by C.M.Trivedi, Governor of the newly established Andhra State. With Fr. Douglas Gordon, the Provincial, I was present at the ceremonial foundation stone laying. Going back to Madras, I wondered how anybody would have the guts to build the new college from the turmeric fields up, recruit the staff, admit students, plan, lay out and equip playing fields and laboratories, and, above all, set the right traditions for students and staff and I breathed a prayer for that person but hoped that, like many other foundation stones, this one would not be just left there and after a while quietly removed!

Imagine my astonishment then, when, in April 1954, like a bolt from the blue, Fr. D. Gordon, came over to Madras and, in a talk with me, said, 'Running Loyola, Madras can be done by anybody, since the college really runs itself, like a well-oiled machine. I'm, therefore, going to give you a much more challenging and interesting job; I have chosen you to be the Founder-Principal of the new Andhra Loyola College which we are going to set up in Vijayawada'. I was stunned and pointed out: that I was barely 35, had been a Principal for less than 18 months and so had little experience to draw on and finally Andhra was like a foreign country to me and I knew not a word of Telugu. These arguments fell on deaf ears and Fr. Gordon insisted I should go to Vijayawada immediately. Andhra had just been separated from Madras state, and formed into a separate state called Andhra Pradesh, thanks to the fast unto death (literally) undertaken by Potti Sriramulu. So there was great rejoicing among the people and a determination to surpass Madras State in every way, including education. That's why they wanted a Loyola College which, in the mind of the Andhras, was the best brand name for college education anywhere.



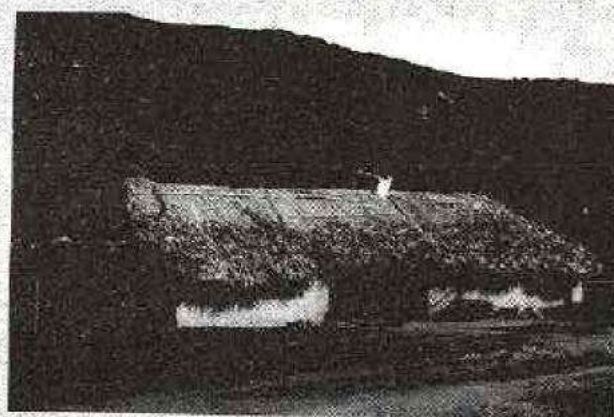
Governor C. M. Trivedi
laying the foundation stone : December 9, 1953



The construction has begun !



Dr. Giani David supervising the construction as
Frs Mathias, Coyle and Papaiah look on



The Fathers' Residence





Frs. Mathias, Deviah, Coyle and Subbaiah with the first members of the staff



Fr. Lawrence Fernandez, the Provincial of Madurai Jesuit Province, with the first Jesuit community

One more glimpse at the first few years



Chief Minister N Sanjeeva Reddy at ALC (1957)



Fr. Mathias offering
a tour of the campus



Sri Y Ramanadha Babu



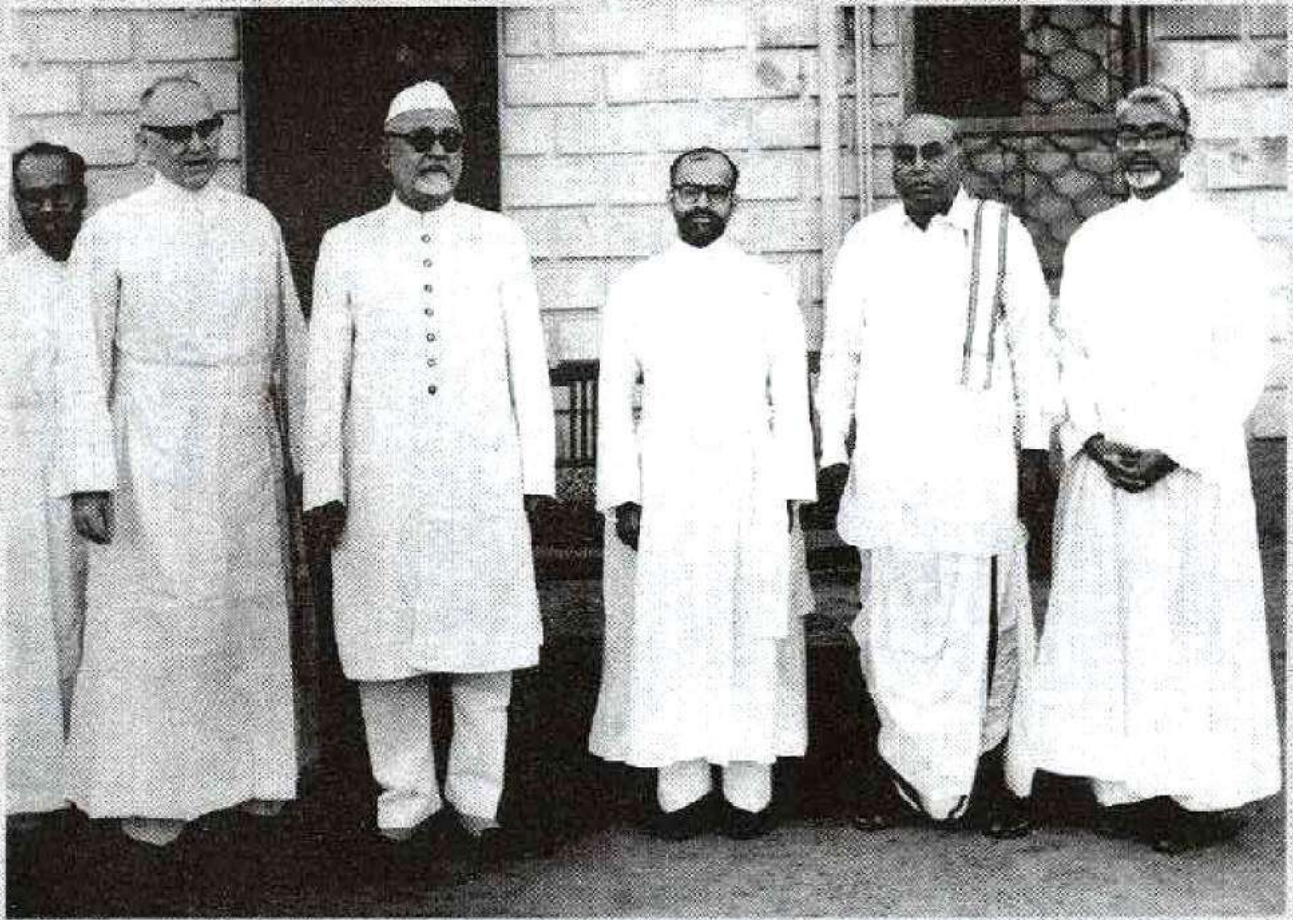
Sri. Pattabhi Rama Rao



Sri M Harichandra Prasad, MLA



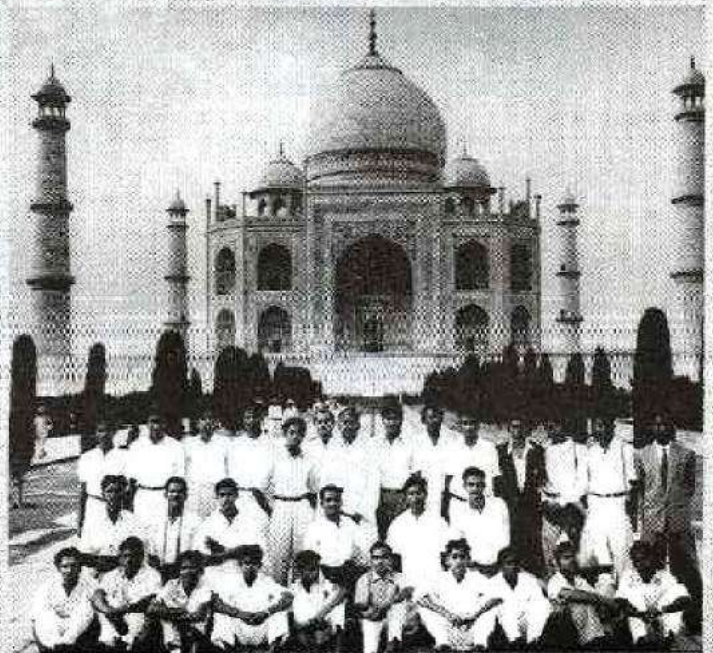
Fr. Mathias and Fr. Gordon with some guests of honour



Dr. Zakir Hussain, President of India, at ALC



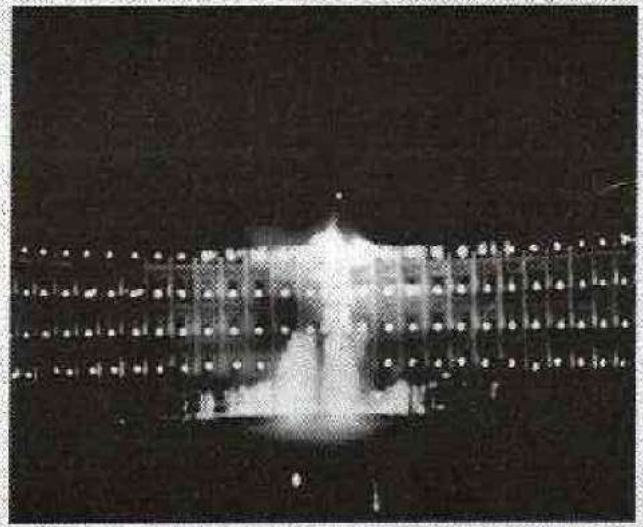
Sri. Rajaji visits ALC



The Loyolites at the Taj Mahal



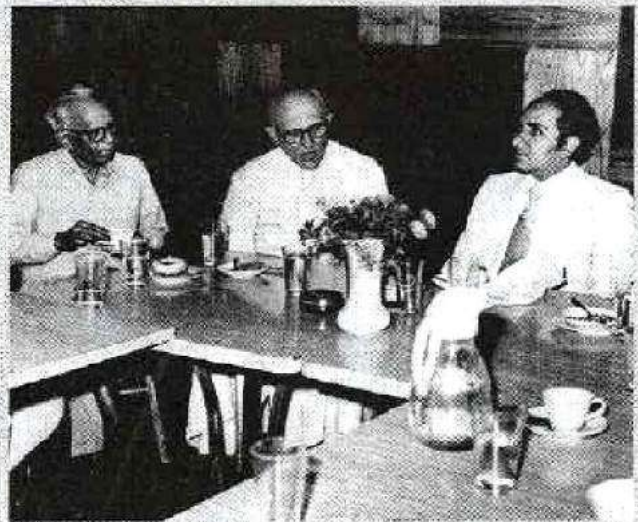
Long before ALERT



New Hostel celebrates Deepavali



Dr. Burgahil, College doctor



Sri P Subba Rao with some visiting alumni

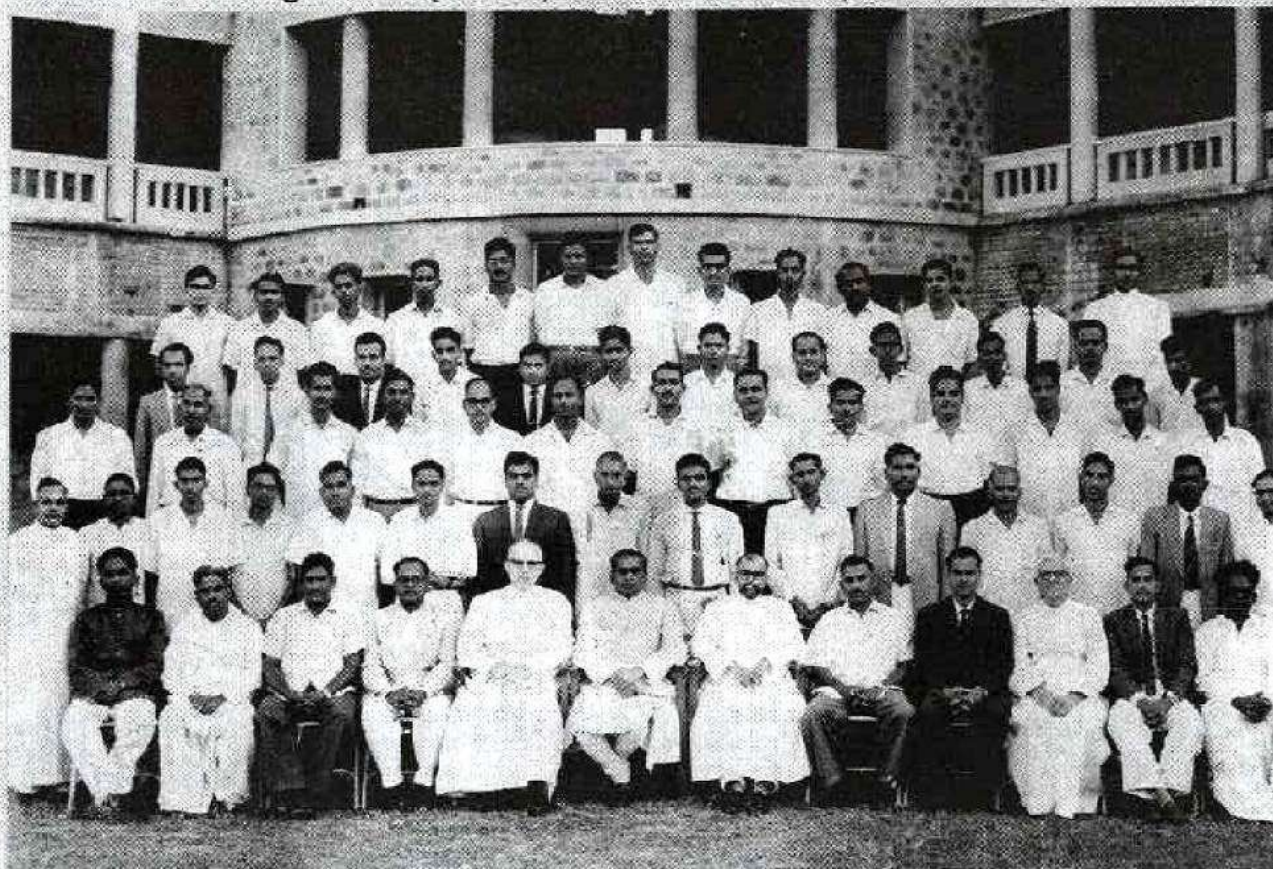


Dr. N. V. Rao inaugurating
the N.V. Rao Block

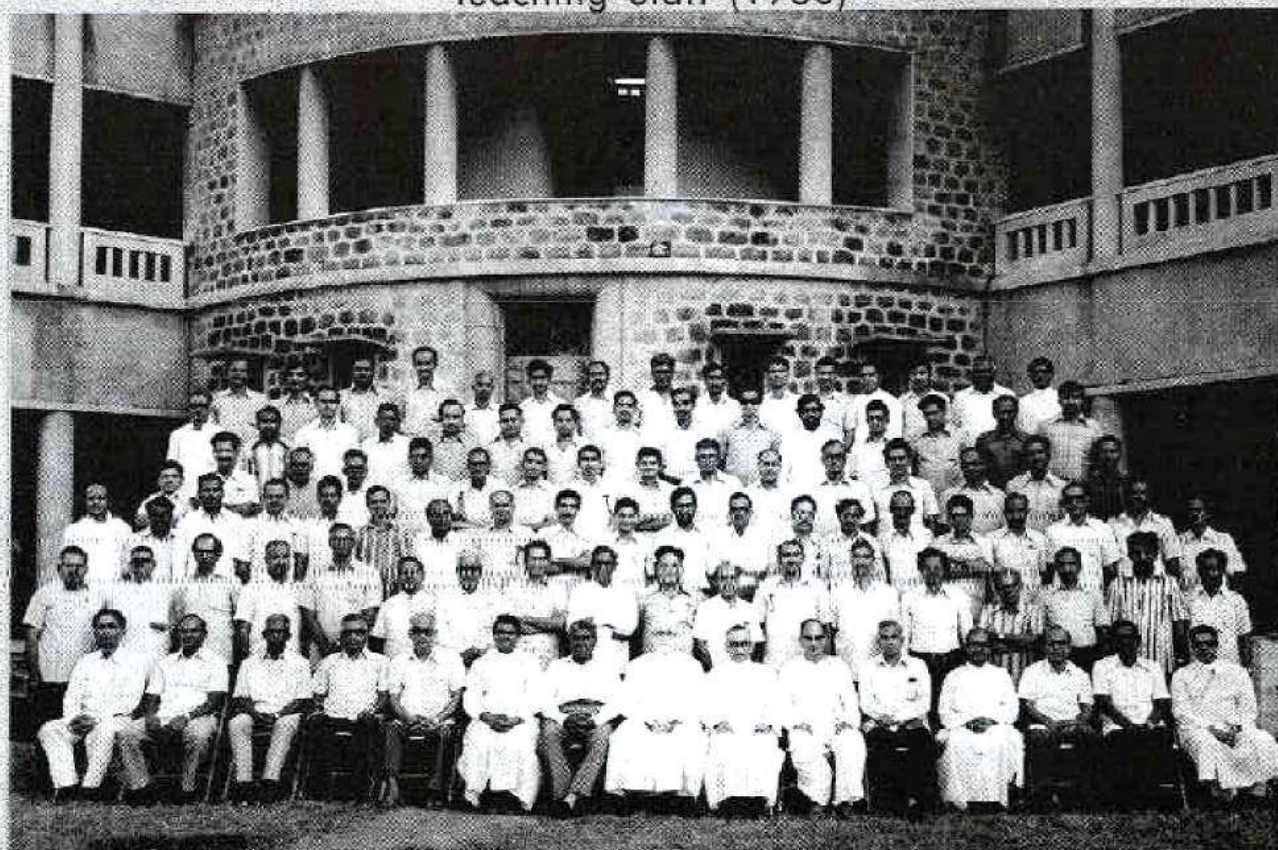


Fr. Windy among the dignitaries

Teaching Staff (1965) with Dr B Gopala Reddy, M.P.



Teaching Staff (1980)



The 1990s



The Southern Jesuit Alumni Meet



Fr Amalanathan, Rector, at an event



Sri Md Azharuddin visits ALC



Mr Surya Prakasa Rao, an alumnus, garlands Dr APJ Abdul Kalam



Fr Gordon and Fr Kuriakose pass away



Memorial Service to Fr Francis

SOCIALLY CONSCIOUS





NCC Naval Wing



NCC Air Wing



NCC Army Wing



Women's Cell

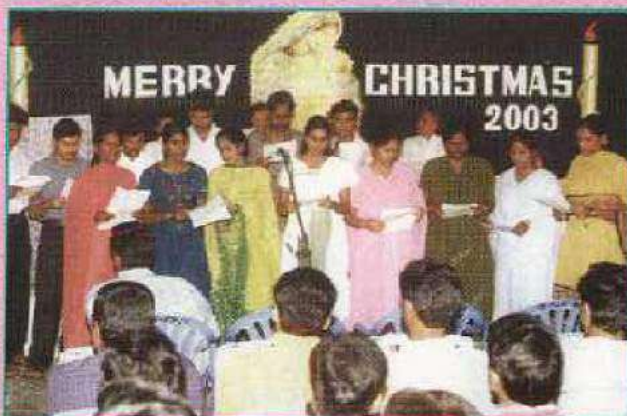


Mr. Krupanandam, Commissioner of Collegiate Education, visits ALC



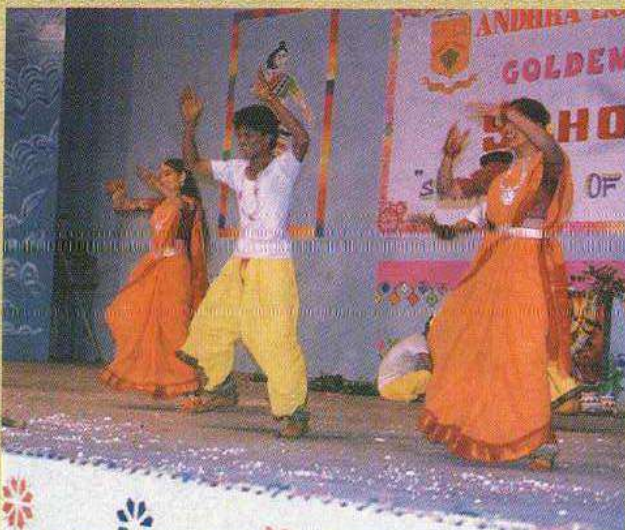
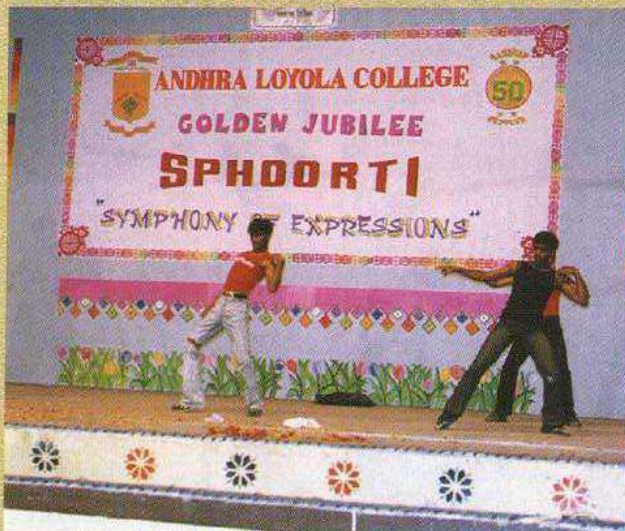
Medha Patkar at ALC

CELEBRATIONS

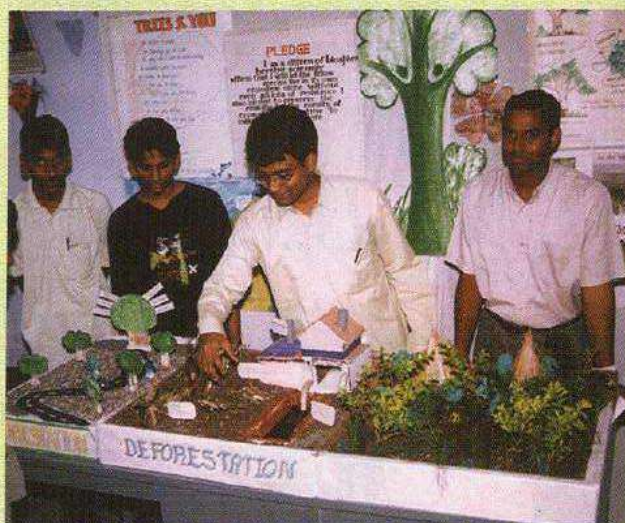


Fr Gordon Painting Competition

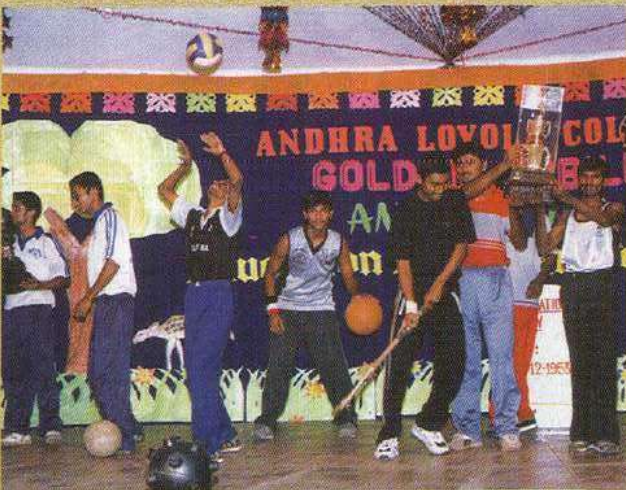
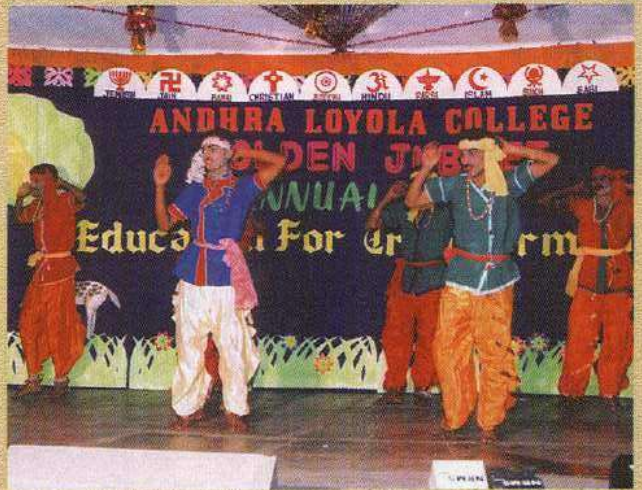
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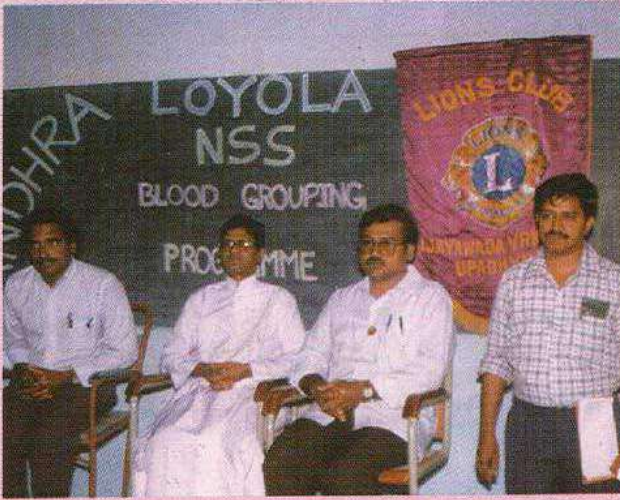
JUBILEE EXHIBITIONS



COLLEGE DAY



NSS



Programme Officers with Best Volunteers

SPORTS AND GAMES



Athletic Team NUIC Championship 2003 (12 times in 13 years)



Football Team Winners NUIC 2003-04



Cricket team



Volleyball team in action



Athletes in action



Gym



Inauguration of the basketball court



Loyola Basketball Tournament

Teaching Staff : 2003 - 2004



Teaching Staff : PG



RETIREMENTS



Sri K.V. Subba Rao
Head, Department of Hindi
30 June 2003



Sri Y. Ramakrishnaiah
Lecturer in Chemistry
31 July 2003



Sri. K. Subrahmanyeswara Rao
Head, Dept of Chemistry
30 September 2003



Sri P. G. Prakasam
Attendant
31 January 2004

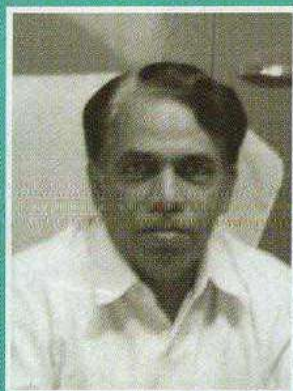


Sri R. Swaminadham
Attendant
31 March 2004

IN MEMORIAM



Sri P. Anthaiah
Store-Keeper (Physics)
8 October 2003



Rev Fr. P. Carlos Dhula, S.I.
18 September 2003



M. Anand Kumar,
III B.A.
16 February 2004



Fr General visits ALC



Fr T Inniah, Principal, with Sri G.S. Raju



Fr P S Amal Raj, Rector, addressing the alumni



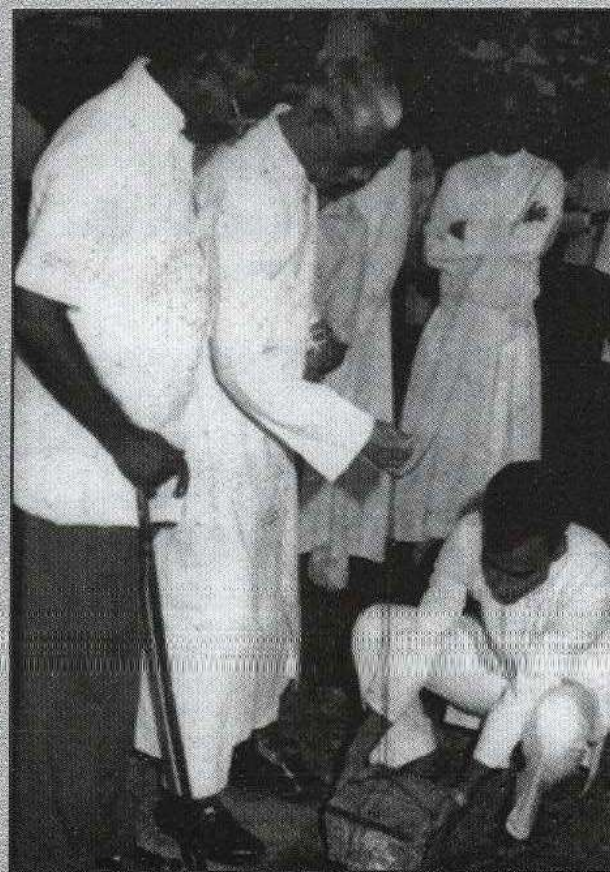
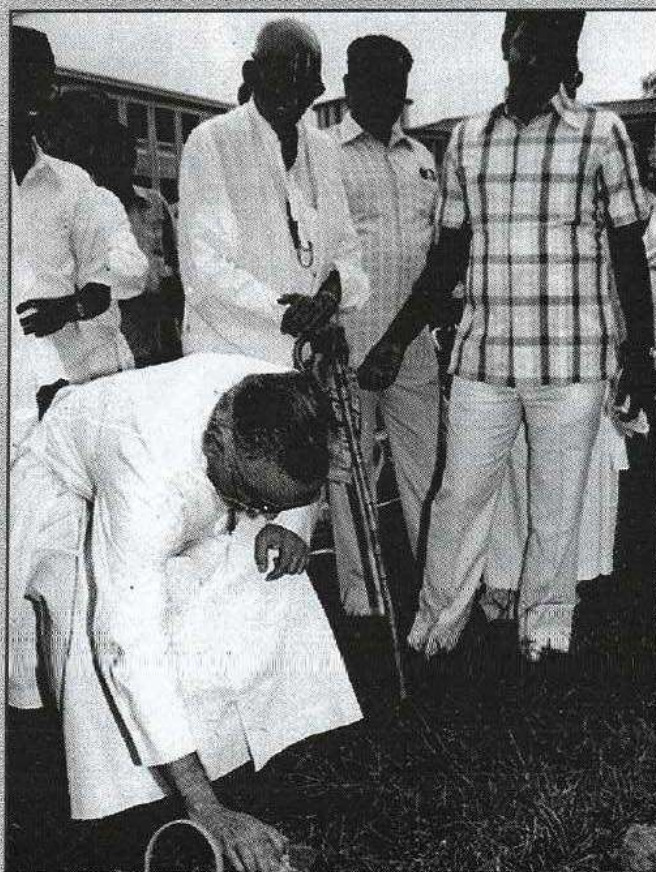
Another scene from the Alumni Reunion



SOME MORE EVENTS OF THE PERIOD



Foundation stone for Fr Deviah Auditorium



MOTHER TERESA VISITS ALC



Some more visits . . .



General Cariappa

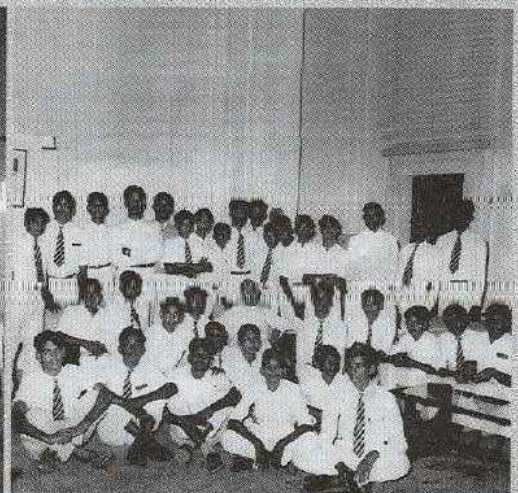
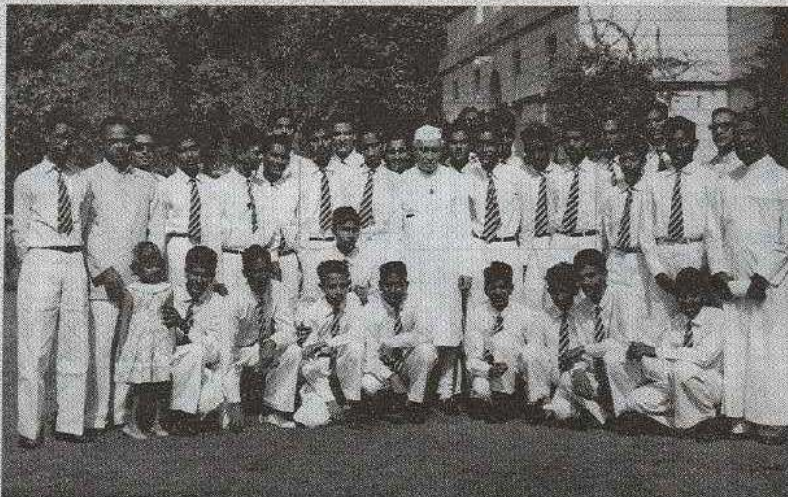
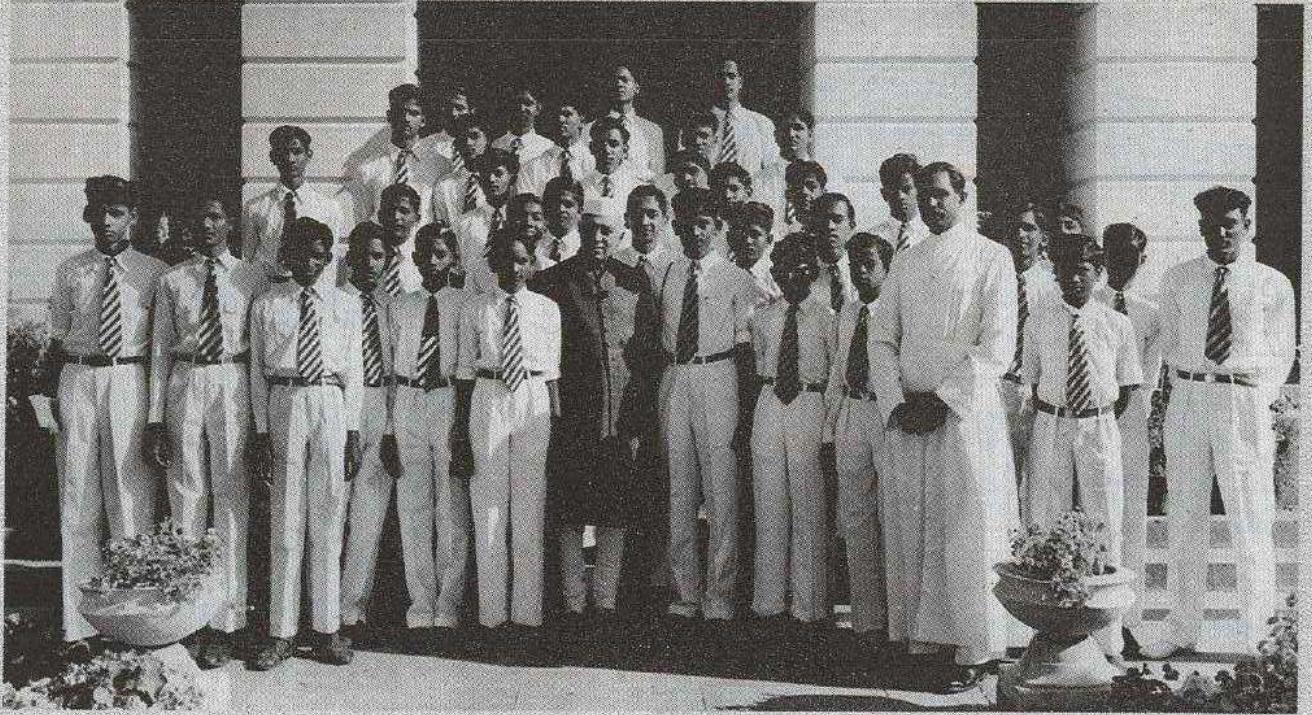


Mr. Nedunchezian,
Education Minister, Tamil Nadu



Frontier Gandhi

Pandit Nehru visits ALC



The Loyolites with the President of India, Babu Rajendra Prasad, and with the Vice-President, Dr S Radhakrishnan



Chief Minister Sri B Gopal Reddy and Sri N Sanjeeva Reddy visit ALC (1955)



Bishop Mummadi and Bishop Battista



The Raja of Challpalli, among others

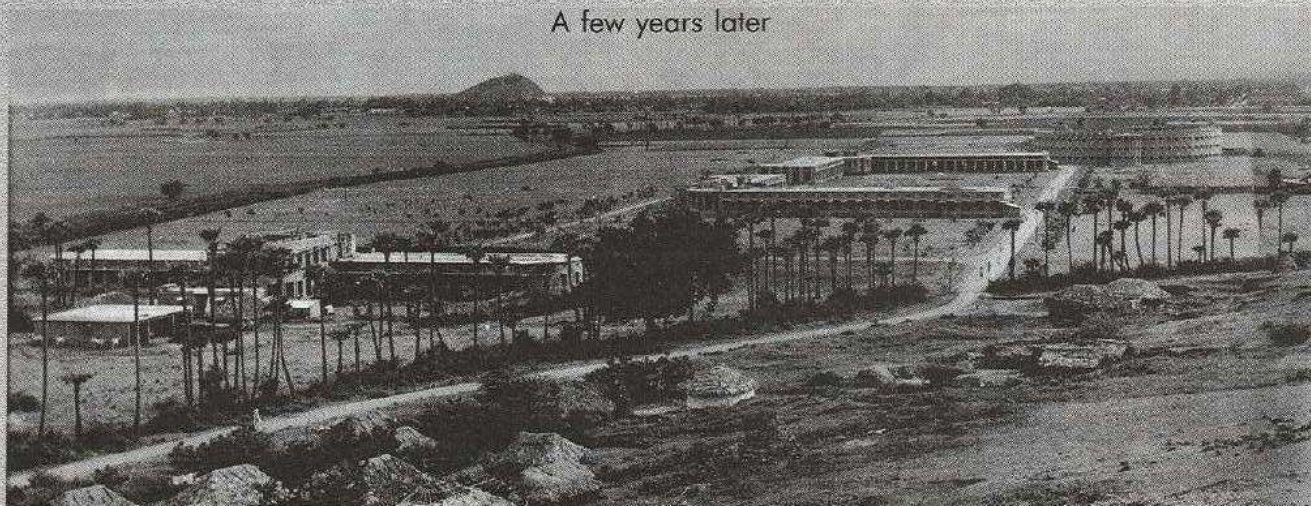


Sri C. D. Deshmukh

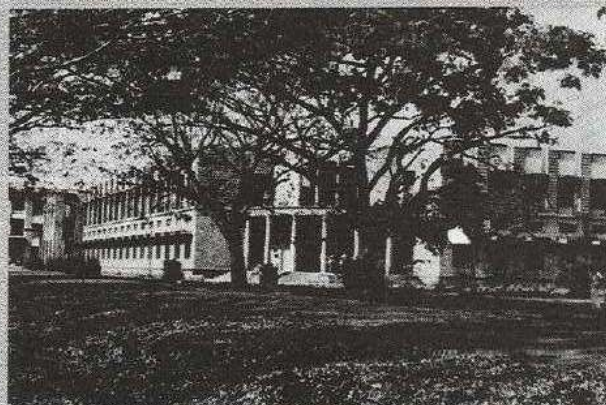


Governor Bhimsen Sachar addressing the students

A few years later



Much later



Decades later



ALC CELEBRATES THE GOLDEN JUBILEE OF THE COUNTRY'S INDEPENDENCE



GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS : INDIAN INDEPENDENCE

SPORTS AND GAMES



Winners : NUIC Hockey (1997-98)



Winners : NUIC Football (1998-99)



Winners : NUIC Football (2000-01)



Winners : NUIC Football (2001-02)



Victory celebrations : Fr Victor Emmanuel, Sports Director



NU Sports Meet 2000

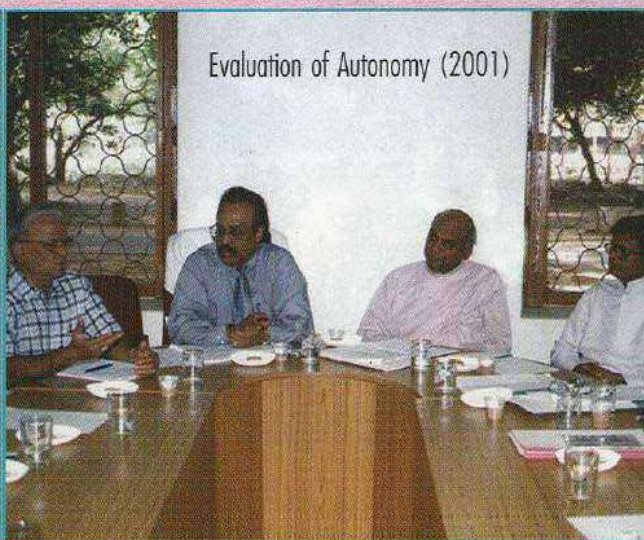
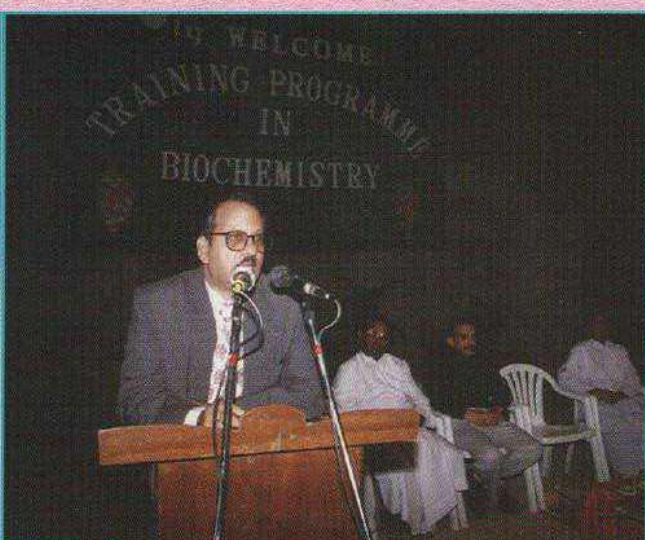
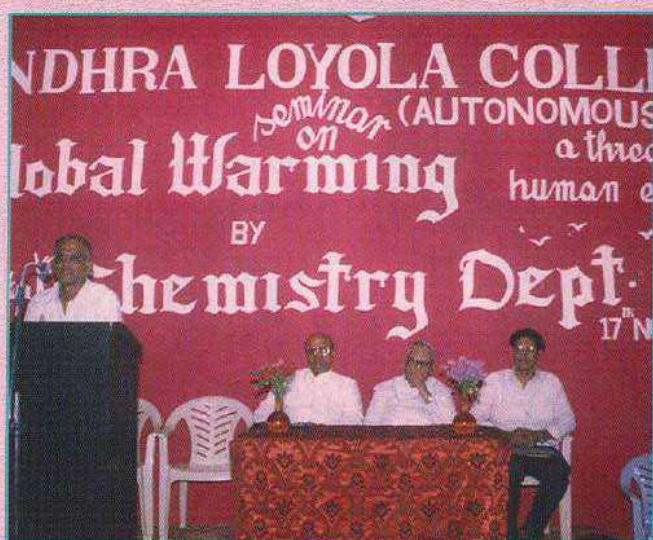
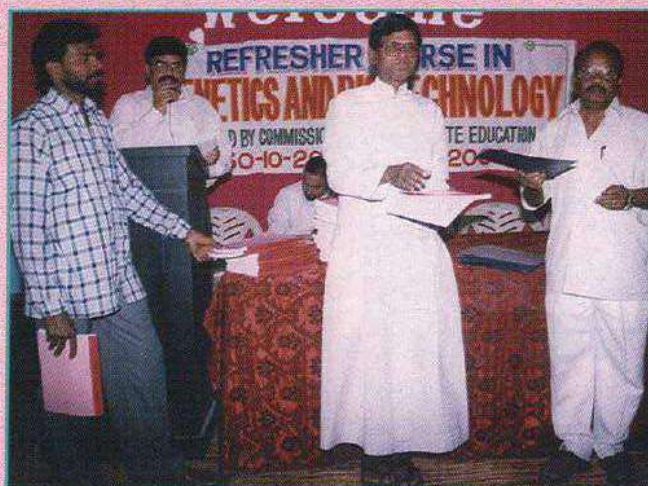


The Mayor at the Athletic Meet



NUIC Athletic Meet (2000-01) being inaugurated

WORKSHOPS / SEMINARS / REFRESHER COURSES





Fr Mathias unveils the statue of St Ignatius
(donated by Dr N Appanna)



Loyola Walk

NAAC accreditates ALC



Kaladarshini Cultural Festival

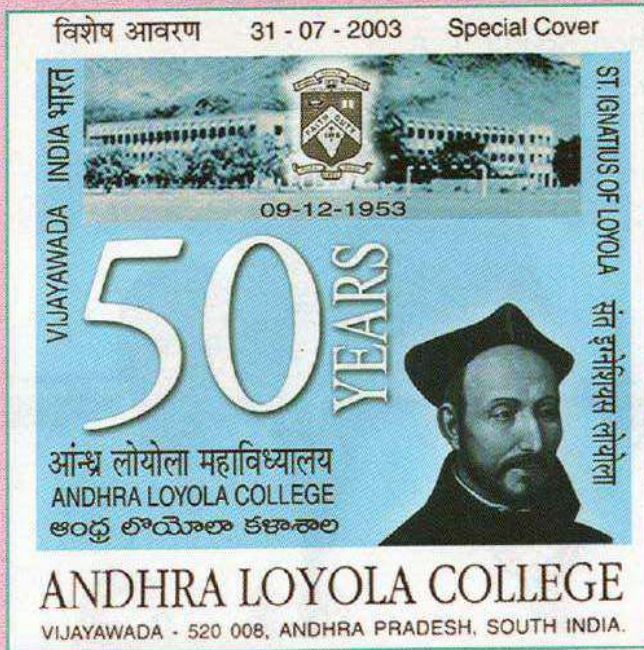


Kaladarshini honours Dr M Balamurali Krishna

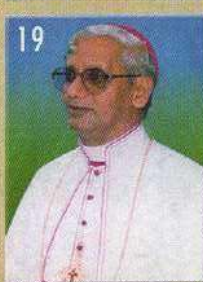
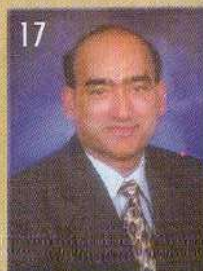
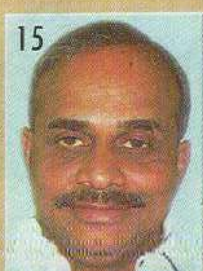
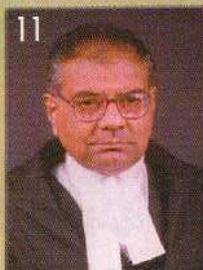
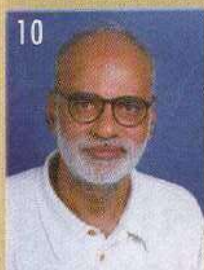
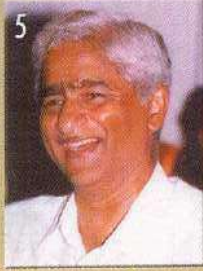
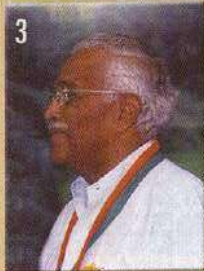
INAUGURATION OF THE JUBILEE

Chief Guest : Sri. K. Prabhakar Reddy, I. A. S.
District Collector

July 31, 2003



LOYOLA RATNAS



1. Sri. T. R. Prasad

Former Cabinet Secretary, Govt. of India,
Member 12th Finance Commission

2. Prof. P. Ramachandra Rao

Vice-Chancellor, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi

3. Dr. Narne Surendra

Prof. ENT, PADOVA University Hospital, Italy

4. Sri. Vadde Sobhnadreeswara Rao

Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture, Govt. of AP

5. Sri. E. S. R. K. Prasad

Managing Director, Geethanjali Educational Institutions

6. Sri. K. Sadasiva Rao, I.P.S.

Director General of Police (Retd), Govt. of AP

7. Sri. S.S.R. Koteswara Rao

President, Federation of AP
Chamber of Commerce & Industry

8. Sri. Vepa Kamesam

Deputy Governor, Reserve Bank of India

9. Sri. Stanley Babu, IRTS

General Manager, South Central Railway

10. Dr. S.R. Parimi

Chief Structural Engineer, Parimi Consultants

11. Justice C. Y. Somayajulu

Judge, High Court, AP

12. Prof. C. Musili

Prof. Mathematics; Dean, School of Sciences,
Vignana Vidyalayas

13. Prof. B. Soma Raju

Chairman, Chief of Cardiology,
CARE Hospitals, Hyderabad

14. Sri. B. Kripa nandam, I.A.S.

V. C. & M.D., A.P. State Civil Supplies Corporation

15. Dr. Y. S. Rajasekhara Reddy

Former Leader of Opposition, APLA

16. Sri. N. Venkata Rao

Chairman, Zonal Cricket Academies, BCCI

17. Dr. Gorrepati Navaneetha Krishna

President, TANA, U.S.A.

18. Dr. Jayaprakash Narayan

National Coordinator, Lok Satta

19. Most Rev. Dr. Prakash Mallavarapu

Bishop, Vijayawada Diocese

20. Sri. B. Ramalinga Raju

Chairman, Satayam Computer Services Ltd.

21. Sri. K. Ajay Kumar, I.R.S.

Commissioner of Income-Tax, Rajahmundry

ALUMNI CONFERENCE : Dec 7, 2003

Chief Guest : Sri Mohan Kanda, I. A. S.
Chief Secretary, Govt of AP



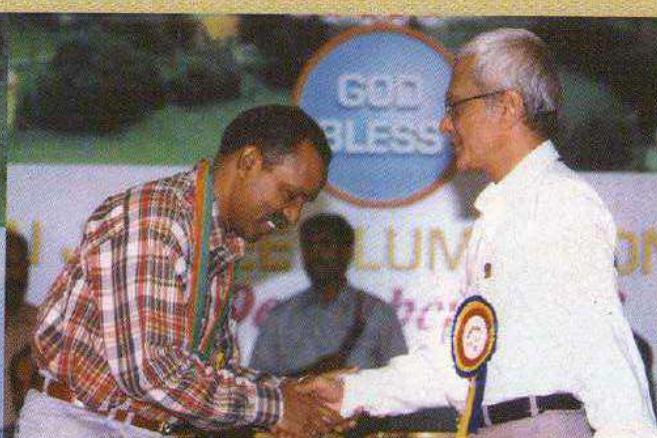
Inauguration



Chief Guest with Sri M. Hari Chandra Prasad



Loyola Ratna Award



Loyola Ratna Award



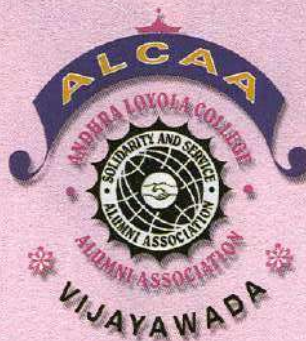
The Ratnas on the stage



The late Fr. G. Francis (Director) with the Executive Members (1994)



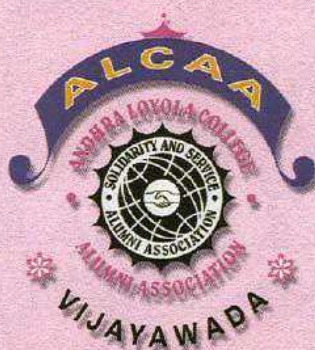
ALUMNI at the Conference



Delegates from Hyderabad



ALUMNI
representing
different batches
at
the Conference



Foundation Day : December 9, 2003

Chief Guest : Sri K. Narasaiah ; Guest of Honour : Fr. T. A. Mathias



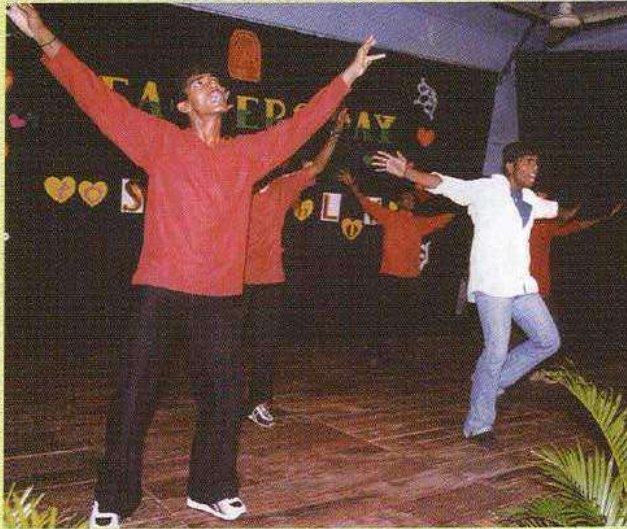
Teacher's Day



History Congress

CULTURAL FESTIVALS

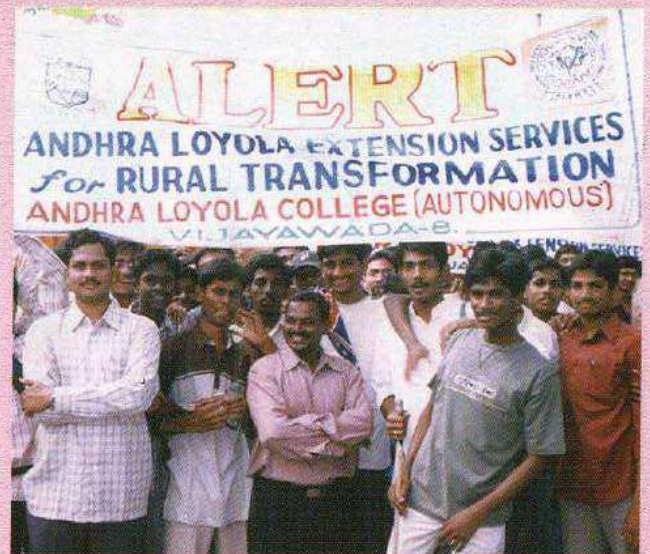
SPANDANA AND BHAVANA



VISIT : Archbishop Pedro Lopez Quintana
Apostolic Nuncio : Februray 12, 2004



ALERT and HEPSN



AICUF



OUTSTANDING SPORTSMEN



V. Phanikanth
(DO 40)
Athletics, Champion NU



A. China Nageshwar Rao
(NO 45)
10000 Mts in Silver



M. Anil Kumar
(AO 41)
Volleyball



K. Brahma Raju
(AEP 23)
Fencing



B. Uday Kumar
(DO 47)
Cricket



P. Harish Kumar
(No 12)
Basketball



B. Rajesh
(AET 11)
Discus Throw State No. 1



B. Deepthi Kumar
(MCA 39)
Volleyball



K. Venu Babu
(NEH 17)
Athletics



J. Siva Veera Anjaneyulu
(NBM 24)
Archery



Dawa
(ACP 12)
Football



N. Udaya Kumar
(RMY 2)
Swimming



Khumb Lion
(III B. Com)
Football



D. Hiren Chuhun
(I B. Com)
Football



A. Prakash Babu
(RB 36)
Athletics

NCC RD CAMP



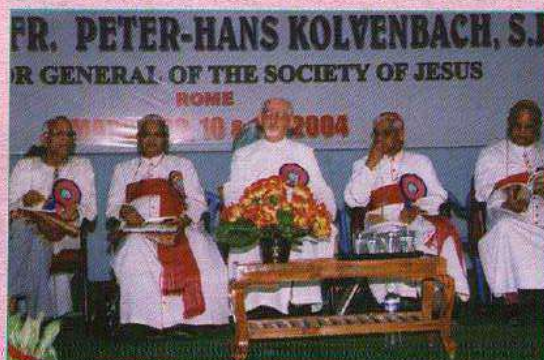
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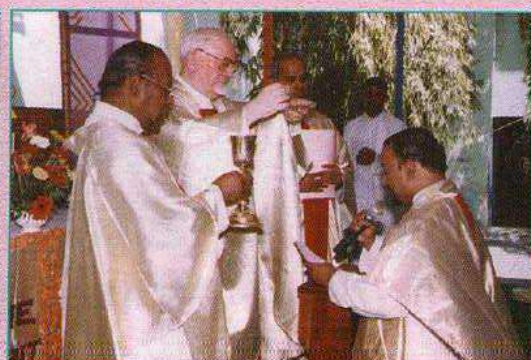
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Y. Narsi Reddy
NC 9

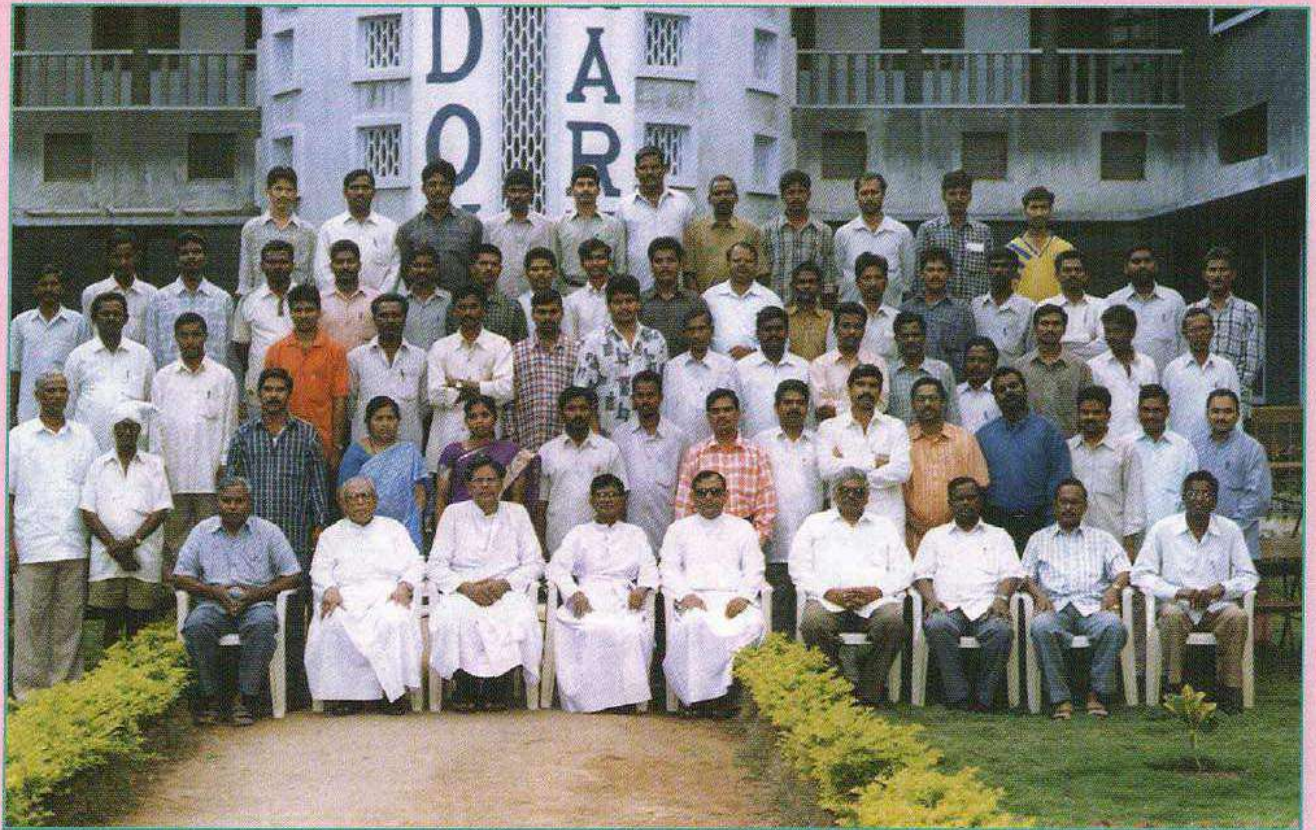


Tricentenary celebrations : Andhra Jesuit Province



Final commitment in SJ : Fr. Rex Angelo (March 10, 2004)

Non-teaching Staff (Degree & Inter)



Non-teaching Staff (PG)



JESUIT COMMUNITY : 2003 - 2004



L - R (Standing) : Fr. P. F. Jayabalan, Br M. Michael Swamy, Fr. Rex Angelo, Fr. A.Theckemury,

Fr. S. Philomin Raj, Fr. D. Ravi Sekhar, Fr. P. Anthony, Fr. J. Thainese, Fr. G. Jayaraj

L - R (Sitting) : Br M. Singarayer, Fr. P. J. Sandanasamy, Fr. Louis Xavier, Fr. C. Peter Raj, Fr. P. Joiaiah, Br. S. Maria Michael,

Fr. S. Emmanuel, Br. P. Balasamy, Fr. Danananda

