

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COLLEGE

2023-2024

"Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path" Ps. 119:105

The Most Reverend His Excellency Mar George Rajendran, SDB, Bishop of the Syro Malabar Diocese of Thuckalay and the Chairman of St. Alphonsa College of Arts and Science, Very Rev Fr. Thomas Powathuparampil, the Manager of this esteemed institution, the Chief guest of today's event Dr. A. Kaliyamurthy IPS cadre & former superintendent of police, Very Rev. Fr. Antony Jose, Correspondent and Secretary of this institution, Rev. Fr. Ajin Jose, the Campus Minister, Dr. R. Sivanesan, Vice-Principal, Heads of Departments, dedicated faculty, alumni of the college, Press personnel, students, ladies and gents, a pleasant morning to all of you.

I take this opportunity to thank our distinguished guests for gracing this occasion amidst their busy schedule. With immense joy and admiration, we, the entire management of St. Alphonsa College of Arts and Science welcome you with heartfelt gratitude.

I thank the Almighty God for this chance to spell out the events, developments, and achievements of this wonderful institution in the form of the annual report 2023-2024. I deem it an unparalleled privilege to present this report to you. Hence, I cordially invite everyone to join with me as I present the Annual Report of the college through audio visual presentation.

St. Alphonsa College of Arts and Science, a higher educational institution established in the year 2014 and run by Syro-Malabar Catholic Diocese of Thuckalay, is one of the few colleges to have been accredited with B++ grade in the very first cycle of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). Upholding the motto "Wisdom, Truth and Loyalty", the institution focusses on educating and empowering the students in multiple ways. In accordance with the vision of the college, "Educate, Empower and Excel," St. Alphonsa college inspires young minds with the strength for a better future.

The Academic Year 2023-24 has been a remarkable and event-rich year. This new academic year commenced on 19th June 2023. With a brilliant and committed staff the college began its regular programme with a new spirit. Let me first present to you the academic activities of the college according to each month.

The month of July was Jubilant with the following moments

1, "A Seven-Day Bridge Course" on Communicative English and Basics of Computer entitled "ABLE" was conducted by the departments of English & Computer Science for all the first-year students of the college on From 22nd June to 1st July 2023.

2, The institution conducted the Freshers' Day with the Chairman His Excellency Bishop Mar George Rajendran and Manager Very Rev. Fr. Thomas Powathuparampil officiating as Chief Guests. The event was held on 04.07.23

3, The Science Forum Inauguration was jointly conducted by the Departments of Physics and Chemistry on 26/07/23. The Chief guest for the event was Dr. Isaac Sobanraj.

AUGUST 2023

The month of August was Ambitious with the following Events

- 1, The inauguration for first year postgraduate students of the institution was held on 02/08/2023. The Chief Guest for the event was the Manager of the institution Very Rev. Fr. Thomas Powathuparampil.
- 2, An extensive Yoga Day was observed on 02/08/2023. Students from II UG classes participated effectively in this programme.
- 3, The inauguration of Mathematika Association was held on 07/08/2023
- 4, The inauguration of the English Literary Association was on 09/08/23. Dr. Xavier Dhas was the Chief Guest for this occasion.
- 5, A Literary Webinar titled 'Fundamentals of Translation' was held on 10/08/23. The Resource Person for the event was Dr. R. Preethi Asst. Professor of English Dept., Ethiraj College for Women, Chennai.
- 6, St. Alphonsa College of Arts and Science and the Diocese of Thuckalay jointly conducted a talent hunt for higher secondary school students entitled '**Talentine 2023**' on 24/08/2023.

SEPTEMBER 2023

The month of September was Stunning with the following events

- 1, A One-day National Workshop on 'Youth Capacity Building' was conducted by the PG and Research Department of Commerce on 08/09/23. The Chief Guest for the event was Dr. P. Mathan Kumar, Asst. Professor of Commerce Department, Loyola College, Chennai.
 - 2, 'World Literacy Day 2023' was observed on 13/09/23 as an event for which Dr. Angel Jayalet Rani officiated as the Resource Person.
- The programme 'Maa Peru Tamizh Kanavu' was conducted by the Department of Tamil on 21/09/23

OCTOBER 2023:

The month of October was Optimistic with the following events

- 1, A O n e - D a y W o r k s h o p o n ' E f f e c t i v e Communication Skills' was conducted on 05/10/23 by the Department of English. Dr. Arun Gladwin, Director of Vantage Academy, Nagercoil was the Resource Person for this event.
- 2, A programme titled "Vazhvum Thamizhum" was hosted by the Tamil Department on 18th of October in which the renowned film maker and social activist Dr. Tamil Silambarasan featured as the resource person.

3, A programme on developing exam-related skills was conducted by the Department of English for the students of first year UG and PG courses at the Multi-media hall.

4, The Post Graduate Physics Research Centre of the college was approved with effect from 25/10/23.

NOVEMBER 2023

The month of November was Nourishing with the following event

1, The institution conducted a Department-wise Review Meeting along with all Committee Reviews on 10/11/23 in the presence of the Principal Rev. Dr. Michael Aro SDB and Correspondent Very Rev. Fr. Antony Jose. All the departments and committees presented their activities systematically for reviews.

EVEN SEMESTER 2023

DECEMBER 2023

The Even semester began in the 2nd week of December with a sense of Delight and excitement

1, Ms. Reshma, Asst. Professor from Commerce Department successfully defended her PhD Dissertation on the 1st of December.

JANUARY 2024

The month of January was Joyful with the following events

1, The Department of Computer Science in collaboration with Research and PG Department of Physics conducted a one-day Workshop titled 'LATEX' on 05/01/2024.

2, The Department of Computer Science conducted a one-day seminar titled 'Top IT Talents' on 8th of January 2024. Mr. R. Sudharshan, Head of LiveWire Training was the resource person.

3, Mathematics Department along with IQAC conducted a Workshop titled 'Maths Typing Tools' on January 18.

FEBRUARY 2024

The month of February was Fabulous with the following events

1, The Department of Computer Science hosted a much-needed Guest Lecture on 'Top IT Skills 2024' on February 6, 2024.

2, The Department of English conducted a guest lecture on 'Fostering Positivity towards Optimal Performance' on 19th of February. Dr. Nirmala, Former Principal of Ethiraj College, Chennai was the resource person for this event.

3, The Department of Chemistry conducted an inter-disciplinary paper presentation competition on the topic 'Need of Inter-Disciplinary Approach for Scientific Advancement' on 20/02/2024.

4, The Department of Physics successfully conducted a 2-day international conference on 'Prospects of Multifunctional Materials' on Feb. 22 and 23. The keynote address was given by Dr. Parijat Pallab Jana, Scientist (CSIR), eminent speaker Dr. M. Shibu, Project Scientist and Associate Professor from Bharathiar University and other speakers from Poland and Japan.

5, Physics Department organized an inter-collegiate competition on Feb. 27 in honour of Sir. C.V. Raman. This event was attended by many college students from our district and adjoining ones too.

MARCH 2024

The month of March was meaningful with the following events

1, Post Graduate and Research Department of Commerce conducted a National Conference on 'Artificial Intelligence-Driven Business: Navigating Innovation and Challenges' on 01.03.2024. The resource persons for this occasion were Dr. Leo Bright Singh and Dr. M. Gomatheeswaran, Associate Professor of Commerce, CMS College of Science and Commerce, Coimbatore.

2, The Department of Mathematics observed International Mathematics Day on March 14, 2024. Competitions at the department level were held for the same and a documentary on the famous mathematician Ramanujan was also screened for the students

3, The Department of Computer Science conducted a One-Day Workshop on Resume Writing on 13/03/2024.

5, Computer Science Department organized a National Level Technical Symposium on 'Big Data Analytics and Artificial Intelligence'. The event which was conducted on 20.03.2024.

6, International Forest Day was conducted by the English Department on 21/03/24 at the college campus. Tree saplings were planted in different places across the campus. A talk on the importance of forests and the ecosystem was given by the Principal Rev. Dr. Michael Aro SDB.

7, The English Department conducted a One-day international conference on the topic 'Rethinking Linguistics, Literature and Pedagogy'. Dr. Christopher, Asst. Professor from VIT University and Mr. Antwein Dominic Gnanasudhan Asst. Professor from Loyola College, Chennai were the Chief Guests. Prof. Dr. Karunakaran was the Guest Speaker from Jaffna University, Sri Lanka

8, The college graduation day was held on the fifth of April 2024

Library Committee

This committee supervises and maintains the library facilities apart from conducting related programmes.

1, Library Day on the occasion of St. Aquinas Feast was celebrated on 24th of January. Various competitions that tested the referencing skills of students were conducted on this occasion.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The Committee strives to bring academic excellence and uniformity in all aspects of the teaching-learning process.

- 1, A One-day faculty orientation programme was conducted by Haggai Leadership Centre on the 16th of June.. Mr. Siju Alencheri was the Facilitator.
- 2, An orientation for the benefit of non-teaching staff was conducted on 17/08/23 by Rev. Fr. Ajin Jose, Campus Minister of the institution. The orientation focussed on the general behavioural skills and functional skills of the administrative staff.
- 3, An Employability Skills Workshop was conducted in the institution on 22/08/23 for enhancing the job-skills of students. The Resource Person for the event was Rev. Fr. Robinson Jose, Founder of Nanjil Group of institutions.
- 4, A programme to facilitate effective leadership amongst the institution's student community was conducted on 01/09/23 at the multi-media hall. The Resource Person for this event was the Campus Minister Rev. Fr. Ajin Jose.
- 5, A programme on 'Strategic Academic Skills' was conducted by IQAC on 21/09/23 at the multimedia hall in the campus. The Resource Person for the event was Rev. Fr. Jose Robinson, Founder of Nanjil Group of institutions. The event aimed at minimizing exam stress that is widely prevalent amongst the student community.
- 6, A Staff Orientation programme titled 'Educare in the Virtual World' highlighting the latest tech-aids for the 21st century classroom, was conducted on 29/09/23 at the Multi-media hall. Rev. Fr. Arockia Selvakumar SDB, Director of Don Bosco Alaihal Media Trichy was the Resource Person for this programme.
- 7, The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the institution successfully submitted the necessary data and reports for NAAC on December 21 in the presence of Correspondent, Principal and Campus Minister.
- 8, On the 19th of March 2024, IQAC conducted a one-day workshop titled 'Skills for Academic Achievements' for first year and second year undergraduates. The trainer for this programme was Rev. Fr. Robinson, Founder of Nanjil Group.

SEA Programme

- 1, The Students Enrichment Academy (SEA) was launched to provide our students with a competitive edge. This programme aimed to go beyond syllabi boundaries to make an industry-ready workforce. The programme was launched on 04/07/23 with the blessings of the Manager of the college, Very Rev. Fr. Thomas Powathuparampil.
- 2, The Students Enrichment Academy distributed certificates for the courses completed in the odd semester, at the multimedia hall on January 29, 2024. The certificates were for Adobe Photoshop, Communicative English, IELTS, Driving and MS Office.

Certificate Programmes

SEA programme courses are aimed at enriching the skills of the students.

The following SEA Programme certificate courses are currently being offered to the students: Coaching for TNPSC, NET and Bank Competitive Exams, Communicative

English, Office Packages, Python, Tally, Photoshop, Type Writing, Tailoring, Vocal Training, Horticulture, Training and License for Two-wheeler, Sports and Games.

We have active MoUs with the following companies for the benefit of the students and institution: M/S Olive Land Overseas Consultancy, Azhagiyamandapam; Kanyakumari Institute of Advanced Research and Training (KIART), South Thamaraiikulam; M/S Gladfix, Karungal; M/S Jesus Windmills Pvt. Ltd., Tenkasi; and E-Max Computer Education, Nagercoil. The SEA Programme certificates are issued to the students in collaboration with these institutes and companies.

Mentoring

The mentoring programme of the college connects with the student community and offers them solutions to issues affecting their academic progress and personal growth

Women's Forum

A separate cell for looking into the well-being of women in the campus is in effective operation within the campus.

- 1, The institution takes the safety and wellbeing of women seriously and in this regard, a programme on 'Sexual Harassment Awareness' was conducted on 05/10/23 at the Multi-media hall. This was jointly conducted by the Anti-Ragging Committee and Prevention of Sexual Harassment Committee.
- 2, International Women's Day celebrations were organized by Women's Cell and conducted on March 7 at our campus in a befitting manner.

NSS, YRC & RRC

- 1, The National Service Scheme (NSS) inauguration for this year was conducted on 18/07/23
- 2, The Youth Red Cross and Red Ribbon Club in the institution were inaugurated on 19/07/23 .
- 3, A Heart Health Awareness programme was jointly conducted by NSS, YRC and RRC Units on 18/08/23. The Resource Person for the event was Rev. Sr. Josephine, Regional Secretary, TNBC Health Commission.
- 4, The YRC, RRC and NSS Units conducted a Blood Donation Camp on 23/08/23 at the college campus. The event was organized in collaboration with District Headquarters Hospital, Padmanabapuram and Killiyoor Primary Health Centre.
- 5, The Youth Red Cross wing and the Red Ribbon Club jointly conducted an Organ Donation Awareness programme on 20/09/23. The Resource Person for this event was Rev. Fr. Benedict Rajan from the Diocese of Marthandam.
- 6, The YRC, RRC and NSS Units jointly held National Youth Day celebrations on 12th of January 2024. Dr. B. Saviour Dhas, Director of Malankara Catholics of Commerce, was the Chief Guest.

7, The YRC and RRC Units jointly conducted an awareness programme on 'Natural Farming' on 28th of February 2024. The resource person for this event as Mr. Joe Prakash from National Green Corps, Kanyakumari.

8, NSS Unit of our college conducted a sanitation drive at our campus on March 6, 2024 for 3 hours.

9, The YRC and RRC Units jointly organized a programme on health awareness on 15th March 2024 at the multimedia hall.

Value Education Cell

The cell manages and ensures the spiritual upliftment of our institution throughout the year.

1) Feast of St. Alphonsa, the Patroness of our college was celebrated as Alphonsa Day on 28/09/23 to remember the saint's life along with her personal sacrifices, in the early decades of the 20th century.

2) The Closing Prayer for the odd semester took place on 09/11/2023 at the College Quadrangle area during the morning assembly. The Manager of the institution, Very Rev. Fr. Thomas Powathuparampil was present to grace the solemn occasion with the thanksgiving prayer.

3) During the first week of January, a half day programme titled 'The Path of Life' for UG and PG students was conducted by Mr. John Wesley and Mr. Marshall from Life Empowerment Solutions.

4) The inauguration of Jesus Youth chapter in our campus took place in the conference hall of our college on January 29. Interesting songs and inspired prayers happened during this programme.

5) A One-day Spiritual Retreat for all UG and PG students was organized by Value Education Cell along with Campus Ministry Cell on March 26, 2024 at the college campus. The retreat preachers were, Rev. Fr. Jeyan Joseph SDB, Rev. Fr. Renigo Roy SDB, Rev. Fr. Prabin Soosadimai and Rev. Fr. Antonisamy SDB.

Fine Arts Committee

The committee makes arrangements for all cultural activities within the campus to ensure smooth conduct of all the events.

1, Independence Day 2023 was celebrated in a grand manner at the college campus. The event witnessed competitions and cultural events that instilled the spirit of patriotism in young minds. The Chief Guest for the day was Former Director of Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO), Dr. Sam Dayal Dev.

2, The College celebrated Onam, the harvest festival of Kerala with gaiety and gusto on 26/08/23. Traditional practices connected with the festival like the Onam Song, Maveli, Thiruvathirakali, Athapoo, Tug-of-War and Onam Sadhya featured in the festivities.

3, The most popular inter-collegiate event of the institution titled 'ALFEST' was conducted this year on 23/09/23 at the college campus. The Chief Guests for this day-long event were Chancellor of Thuckalay Diocese Very Rev. Dr. Joshy

Kulathumkal , Director of Vantage Academy Dr. Arun Gladwin and Advocate and playback singer Ms. Gayathri Nair. The programme was attended by around 700 students from colleges in Kanyakumari, Tirunelveli and Madurai districts.

4, The Pre-Christmas celebrations were held on 22nd of December 2023 at our institution with Nativity Play competitions.

5, Pongal celebrations reverberated in our campus with creamy bright colours on the 13th of January 2024. Competitions also were held according to the festival-related themes, within the campus.

6, Alcreatica 2K24, the inter-departmental cultural fest set the campus abuzz with competitions galore on Feb. 3rd & 4th. The Manager of the College Very Rev. Fr. Thomas Powathuparampil inaugurated the cultural fest. The Chief Guest for the occasion was Music Afficionado and Composer Mr. Samson Silva. During this event the first E-Magazine of our institution 'Alphonsian Hi-Tides' was launched.

Parents Teachers Committee

1, The Parents Teachers' Meet for this semester was conducted from 25/09/23 to 27/09/23 for all the departments of our institution. The parents individually met the class teachers after the meeting to discuss the progress of their wards.

Sports Committee

1, The 9th Alphics 2K24 Annual Sports Meet was conducted with great enthusiasm and effective participation on Feb. 16 and 17. The Chief Guests for the event were Arjuna Awardee and former Kabaddi player S. Rajarethnam and Mr. Prem Anand, Former Lecturer, YMCA College of Physical Education.

Career Guidance Cell

1, A One-day Mega Job Fair was conducted at the college campus in collaboration with Naan Mudhalvan and Don Bosco Job Placement Network on 29/07/2023. More than 300 candidates participated in it. About 51 students of our institution were selected in this campus recruitment.

2, A programme to heighten the awareness of students towards trending job-market scenarios, was conducted on 06/11/2023. The programme coordinated by the Career Guidance Cell, had Mr. Mario Pradeep Joy as the Resource Person.

All India Catholic Union Federation (AICUF)

1, All India Catholic Union Federation (AICUF) 2023 Chapter was inaugurated on the 8th of August with Mr. Frenish, Vice President of the State Wing officiating as the Chief Guest.

2, A street play was conducted by AICUF in the Quadrangle of the college campus in the month of 20/02/2024 for parodying election malpractices. The right to vote was emphasized in the play.

3, A street play likewise was conducted on March 3, 2024 for criticizing the menace of drugs within college campuses.

Students' Council

- 1, The Students Council Investiture Ceremony was conducted with elan on 23/08/23. As the College encourages and believes in student leadership, the positions for various council posts were conferred by the Principal during the event.
- 2, Alphonsian Student Council organized a musical feast for the ears titled 'AlphoBeatz' on 16th of March. Fusion music, melodious music and other kinds of music were rendered during the performances.

Electoral Literacy Club

- 1, An Orientation Programme titled 'The Importance of Voting' was conducted on 25/10/23 by the Electoral Literacy Club headed by Dr. Arun Williams. The Resource Person for this event was Dr. Pranesh Kumar, Head of English Department.

Industrial Visits and Field Trips by the Departments

- 1, An industrial visit for Final year UG and PG students was conducted by the department on 11/08/2023. Kalaingar Library Madurai and Gandhi Museum Madurai were the highlights of the event.
- 2, The students and staff members of Physics and Chemistry department visited Nila Sea Foods Manufacturing Unit in Tuticorin on 30/08/23
- 3, The Department of English took a select group of students from the college to an International Educational Fair cum Industrial visit in Chennai on 02/09/2023.
- 4, Commerce Dept. students visited Nila Sea Foods in Tuticorin with 70 students on 20/10/23.
- 5, The first UG and PG students of English department went for an industrial visit to Hindu Newspaper Manufacture and Distribution Unit in Trivandrum on 25th January 2024.
- 6, A one-week internship training was conducted for students of Commerce from 07-02-2024- to 13-02-2024 at the office of A John Morris & Co., Chartered Accountants, Nagercoil.

Visits to the Special Homes

'Social Commitment' is an integral part of the College vision. Each department organises several social outreach programmes for the holistic development & integrated learning of the students. One such social responsibility is visiting the special homes.

- 1, The students of Mathematics department went for a day of Home Visit to St. Joseph Old-age home, Pilankalai on 11/09/2023.

2, The department of chemistry visited CSI Home for the Blind at Irenepuram on 09/10/23.

3, A visit by Commerce students was undertaken on 09/02/2024 to St. Mary's Old Age Home, Mathar, Kanyakumari.

Besides the above programmes the college has a structured support and mentoring mechanism which is effectively rendered through cells/committees/services.

Special Achievements Staff

A number faculty members of the College have published articles in the Scopus indexed, science indexed and UGC CARE-List journals. A some of them have published books to their credit. Hearty congratulations to them. Let me mention the books published and awards received by our staff during this academic year.

1) Dr. R Pranesh Kumar was awarded the title "Super Power Author" by Adhyan books at an Inspiring Indian Authors programme hosted in New Delhi on 29/07/23, for his book "Stories from South Kanyakumari"

2) Dr. Paulmony published a book titled 'E-Commerce'

He also published a book titled 'Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Creativity'

3) Dr. Rajesh published a book titled கடற்புறத்து நற்செய்திகள்

4) Dr. Angel Jayalette Rani published a book titled பெண்

5) Dr. A. P. Seelan, our Physical Education Director was bestowed the National Karate Championship Best Coach Award

He also got the Best Referee & Best Coach Award in the National School Games, Delhi for the year 2023-24

Dr. Seelan further cleared the Karate Indian Organisation Referee exam with A Grade in 2023

6) The Public Relations Officer of our institution, Mr. Paneer Selvam was conferred an Honorary Doctorate Degree in Sociology at an International Conference for World Peace by AUGP for his outstanding service as a Social Activist & Educationist.

7) The following staff members of the college contributed to research and development either through paper publication or as Resource persons for Seminars and Conferences:

Dr. Sivanesan, Dr. C.S. Biju, Dr. Subala, Dr. Ajitha, Dr. V.S. Bindhu, Dr. Begin Bose, Dr. P.H. Sudharlin Paul, Dr. R. Pranesh Kumar, Dr. J. Beena, Dr. Rajesh, Dr. Angel Jayalet Rani, Ms. Abitha, Mr. Pravin, Ms. Sibitha, Ms. Adline Jereena Mary, and Ms. Jemima Jorin.

Special Achievements by Students

St. Alphonsa College has to its credit a huge number of achievers in varied fields. Let me mention a few important achievers of this year.

1) Sharon Jestus of II BA won Silver medal in the Khelo India Youth games for the event Triple jump held in Madhya Pradesh on 11 February.

- 2) Afnitha from II BA was honored with “Tamil Selvi Award” for her elocution skills at an event conducted by Govt. of Tamilnadu on 21st September 2023 at St. Jeromes College. Nagercoil
- 3) Jeffrin Shijo of II BA and Thivisha from III BA participated in the Quiz Competition and secured first prize in the Youth Fest ROTAYUTSAV 2023, organized by rotary club of Nagercoil on 18/10/2023.
- 4) Students from the department of Mathematics, Lena Judecy, Adlin Vibitha. V. K, Asolin Jeni. A, Jenisha. J, Rexlin Sibisha., L. Eugin Shen. L, Ashwini. M. S won prizes for various competitions at Noorul Islam University, Kumarakovil held on 16/02/2024
- 5) Ms. D. Sowmiya received the Young Women Achiever Award from Wheel Club, Virudhunagar on 21/11/23
- 6) Ms. Nivetha of chemistry department had participated in Republic Day Parade - 2024 “Vande Bharatam 2024, Nritya Utsar” in New Delhi.

Pass Percentage of Students During the Academic Year 2022-2023

Program	Program Code	Program Name	No. of Students Appeared	No. of Students Passed	Average Pass Percentage
UG	1105	B A	62	48	77.4
	1301	B Com	67	58	86.5
	1517	B Sc Mathematics	36	31	86.1
	1506	B Sc Computer Science	48	33	68.7
	1522	B Sc Physics	28	27	96.4
	1504	B Sc Chemistry	22	13	59.0
PG	2102	M A English	33	22	66.6
	2301	M Com	18	17	94.4
	2515	M Sc Mathematics	29	22	75.8
	2506	M Sc Computer Science	07	05	71.4
	2521	M Sc Physics	20	15	75.0
Total			370	291	78.64

College Rank Holders

- 1st Rank (Gold Medal)- Manju P (M.Com) 2023
- 8th Rank - Ashwin Infanta J (B.Com) 2022
- 10th Rank - Anusree Raj T (M.Sc. CSC) 2022
- 10th Rank - Abisha T V (M.Sc. Physics) 2022
- 4th Rank - Arsha S J (B.Sc. Physics) 2023
- 19th Rank - Arsha S J (B.Sc. Physics) 2023 for Part-II Eng
- 19th Rank - Emerald Sheeja A D (B.Sc. Maths) 2023

College Awards

1) **Academic Excellence Award:** The Malayalam newspaper Deepika honoured the dignitaries of St. Alphonsa College of Arts and Science on 13/10/23 in Trivandrum for its valuable contributions to the local community through education and charitable deeds. On behalf of the College the Correspondent and Secretary Very Rev. Fr. Antony Jose was honoured with the academic excellence award by the Honourable Governor of West Bengal, Shri C. V. Ananda Bose.

2) **Green Campus Award:** In appreciation for the Clean, Green and Environment friendly campus, JCI Junior Chamber International awarded our College with the Green Campus Award on 14th December 2023.

Sports Achievements by Students

The college administration has been taking all possible steps to encourage sports boys and girls to excel in their chosen fields. Its results are becoming tangible in terms of university blues. There are several students achieved prizes at the university, state and national level sports events. As I congratulate them let me list out a few important achievers.

Nishanth of 3rd B.Com won the first prize in the National Karate Tournament organized by SKIF India at Gnanadaasan Polytechnic College, Nagercoil, on October 29, 2023.

Ram Karthik of 1st year B.Com won the 1st prize in the Taekkyeon Tournament organized by Tamil Nadu Taekkyeon Association.

Sharon Jestus of II BA won Gold medal in the 38th national Junior athletics championship 2023, held at Nehru Stadium on 07 Nov. 2023. He represented Tamilnadu.

University level intercollegiate men's Kabaddi Tournament was organized at Lekshmipuram College of Arts and Science College, Neyyoor, on the 13th and 14th of August 2023. Our college team won the 4th position

University level intercollegiate Women Handball Tournament was organized at KR Arts and Science College, Kovilpatti on 6th and 7th November 2023. Our college team secured the 3rd position.

University level intercollegiate men's Handball Tournament was organized at our College premises on the 14th and 15th of November 2023. Our college team won the 3rd position.

The following are our University players:

- 1) Sumesh -III BSc Computer Science - Kabaddi
- 2) Jenitta Suji-III BSc Maths - Handball
- 3) Gino Reshmi-I BCom- Boxing
- 4) Jerbin-III BA English- Handball
- 5) Sandeep Ram- II MCom- Handball
- 6) Vishnu -III BSc Computer Science- Handball

Concluding Remarks

It is not the end page but yet another beginning page in the history of St. Alphonsa College of Arts and Science. We hope to continue this success story with the guidance of God, cooperation of parents, well-wishers, present and former professors, alumni, staff, and students.

My gratitude goes to all the stakeholders - the Chairman of the College His Excellency Mar George Rajendran SDB, Bishop of Thuckalay Diocese, Governing body members, Academic council members, IQAC members, faculty members, parents, well-wishers and alumni whose valuable suggestions have helped St. Alphonsa College to scale great heights.

I look forward to your continuous support in the days to come.

Thank you and God bless you.