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# NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

## EASTER SUNDAY ...

This newsletter comes weeks after tragedy hit our resplendent island. It changed the way of life for all peace loving Sri Lankans and mainly Catholics who were the main victims both on the day of the attack and after. From taking away Sunday Communion to shutting down schools, we have had our lives changed like never seen before. Whilst many found ways to celebrate mass privately and receive communion despite the embargo on Sunday mass following Christ's teachings, many took time to self reflect. It is during times like this we must remember our martyrs who stood firm against those who tried to take away our way of practicing our faith and by doing so preserved our catholic faith. We must pray that the same strength and guidance will be shed on all our beloved Catholics and especially the clergy to guide us spiritually at a time like this when most seems to exploit anything and everything for worldly posts and titles. Let us pray for all of God's creation and remember those who lost their lives whilst in prayer on the 21st April, but are now resting on God's bosom and watching over us.

## FAREWELL TO REV. FR. RECTOR TRAVIS ...

In the month of April (2019) Fr. Travis Gabriel bid farewell to his long and illustrious career as an educationalist and a Shepherd of Christ. From being elevated to the Rectorship of the prestigious premier catholic school St. Joseph's College, Fr. Travis will take a well deserved break before recommencing his spiritual duties back in Sri Lanka. There will be several articles published in honor of Fr. Rector in the upcoming newsletters.

## IN THIS NEWSLETTER ...

The newsletter contains a new section which aims to cover Josephians who have made our College and Country proud in various walks of life. This section will likely continue as it certainly is a never ending list with perhaps new additions appearing each year. This newsletter gives special attention to the Josephians holding Chairman or CEO positions in LMD's top 50 companies as well as movers and shakers of the corporate world.

## SPECIAL MENTIONS ...

I would also like to thank Nadishka Aloysius and Rajeev Aloysius for having shared the article from the previous newsletter -Discovering Tambimuttu where the newsletter through an oversight forgot to recognize the author of the article. We thank their efforts in sharing something so valuable with the rest of the Josephian community of one of our most outstanding Old Boys.

God Bless!

CJ  
Editor-in-Chief

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# REV. FR. TRAVIS GABRIEL 13TH RECTOR OF ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE — BY FR. MILAN BERNARD



On the 04th of April 2019, the Josephian family bid farewell to the 13th Rector of St. Joseph's College, Colombo 10, Rev. Fr. Travis Jude Gabriel. He served St. Joseph's College as the Rector for five long years. Moreover, he retired on the very particular day ending three decades of dedicated and committed service in the field of Education. He rendered a yeoman service to the Nation as an illustrious educationist. His service for 33 long years in the field of Education is commendable and laudable.

Rev. Fr. Travis Jude Gabriel is a man of God. I came to know him, five years ago, exactly on the 10th of May 2014, on the day of my Priestly Ordination. As I was appointed to the Staff of St. Joseph's College, Colombo 10, Rev. Fr. Travis congratulated me and wished me all the very best in my Priestly mission. That was the exact day that I came to

know Fr. Travis. On the same day a Senior Priest of my diocese said "One who wished you is the Rector of St. Joseph's College and you are so fortunate to begin your Priestly mission under such a personality and when time passes you will realize it". That was the first impression that was created in me of Rev. Fr. Travis.

Just after a few days of my Priestly Ordination I went to meet Rev. Fr. Travis at St. Joseph's College. His welcome gesture was so pleasant and I have no words to express the experience. I do still remember what he told me at my first encounter with him "Do not forget to say the Breviary and the Holy Rosary every day". As these words passed from his lips, I noticed a small statue of the Blessed Mother Mary just in front of his office. His spiritual journey really motivated and inspired all of us. We could see how he spends time in front of the Blessed Sacrament and reciting the Holy Rosary in our small Chapel. Every morning he starts his day's proceedings of the College celebrating the Holy Mass with the entire Josephian family at 7.00 am. I would say the secret of his success story is his deep, indomitable faith in God and his solid, firmly rooted prayer life. He is truly a man of God.

Rev. Fr. Travis is a man who leads an exemplary virtuous life. Virtues and good qualities are so much embedded into his pattern of life. He is a champion in listening. I would say he has mastered the art of listening. Whenever someone comes seeking his company in times of pain and trouble he is always there to listen to them. He will never get tired of listening to anyone. His patient listening surely would have healed the wounds of many souls.

There is a saying "Respect should be earned and not demanded". This is so much applicable to the life of Fr. Travis. He is a man who will respect each and everyone whom he encounters. He respects the opinion of others



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and always acknowledges it. He is a man who has immensely earned the respect of others.

Fr. Travis is a true shepherd who guides and leads his flock on the correct path. In his mission as the Rector, he is an epitome of a true Shepherd / Leader. He guided the Tutorial Staff, the Non-Academic Staff and the Students to greener pastures. A good shepherd is always there for his flock. Fr. Travis is ever so ready and willing to help the flock entrusted to him. His eagerness in extending a helping hand is praiseworthy. He always wants his flock to be happy and to enjoy every bit of life. He is truly a man who leads a very exemplary virtuous life.

"Actions speak louder than words". He practices what he preaches. He is a man of principles. I do still remember the 82nd Battle of the Saints, the Big Match between St. Joseph's College, Colombo 10 and St. Peter's College, Colombo 04. He awarded the victory to St. Peter's College teaching the entire Nation a lesson on true spirit of Sportsmanship and on the true spirit of the game of Cricket. "Win at any cost" is not at all in his blood. He wants all to give their best when the best is needed and to enjoy the game. The following morning the Print and the Electronic Media hailed his authentic gesture. This magnanimous sporting gesture will be remembered forever. He is truly a man of principles.

Dear Fr. Travis you are truly a man of God, a man of principles and a man who leads a very exemplary virtuous life. Your way of life really inspires all of us. We wish you all the very best in your future endeavors. May God Bless You!

Rev. Fr. Milan Bernard

## FELICITATION OF REV. FR. RECTOR TRAVIS GABRIEL

Goodbye doesn't mean the end, it just means that we will meet again soon! And just like that the Josephian community gathered as one family to bid farewell to the 13th Rector of St. Joseph's College -the premier Catholic institution in the country.

The Old Boys Union, Sports Council and the Old Joes Sports Club came together in bidding farewell to Rev. Fr. Gabriel on 30th March 2019 at Elevate located in the iconic Access Towers Building. With approximately 200 guests made up of Old Boys and a their spouses, filled the richly fitted banquet hall for a heartfelt farewell ceremony. The Chairman of the Josephian Sports Council – Brin Obeysekara, President of the Josephian Sports Club – Preethiraj De Silva, Snr. VP of the Old Boys Union – Shehan Fernando along with several office bearers welcomed Rev. Fr. Gabriel as he stepped into the richly decorated hall to the warm standing applause of all those who had gathered. Mr. Terrance Fernando – GM Cinnamon Red and Chairman of the Big-Match Committee took time off his busy schedule to be the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. With a warm and a deserving introduction to the evening by Mr. Terrance several speeches followed in honor of Rev. Fr. Gabriel. Finally the 13th Rector himself took to the podium in what became a truly touching farewell speech. If there was one sentence to describe Ref. Fr. Gabriel's tenure, it's the resurgence of excellence in academic, sports and extracurricular disciplines at St. Joseph's College. Rev. Fr. Gabriel knew that St. Joseph's College continued to remain great not due to the buildings designed to Victorian-Roman architecture, the trophy filled cabinet, or the contributions to the Catholic community via the establishment of institutions such as Aquinas or St. Peter's College or other branches, but mainly due to the products of St. Joseph's College that continues to make the Josephian family and catholic community proud. Rev. Fr. Gabriel during his tenure ensured that the Old Joes were brought back into active duty of maintaining the College brand and culture and uplifting the standards of sports. Rev. Fr. Gabriel has always been a firm believer in team work and mutual respect for all stakeholders thus followed the words in the Bible where he learned to



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serve first and then to lead from the front. His love for St. Joseph's College echoed in his farewell speech with a tear in his eye. Many articles will be written about the accomplishments of the 13th Rector of this hallowed institution, but this article is mainly to bid farewell to one of our most loved Rectors who worked with the Old Joes and kept the Josephian family together by doing his best to protect the interests of our alma-mater without giving into the pressures around.

"Great is the art of beginning, but greater is the art of ending." -Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

From all the Old Joes to our 13th Rector Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel! May the good Lord bestow his choicest blessings on your journey ahead, as we all continue to pray with one voice as a Josephian family.

- CJ

## FEW WORDS FROM REV. FR. ANTON RANJITH (ACTING RECTOR OF ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE) FOR THE NEWSLETTER

Great Josephians make great Leaders!

In this newsletter we will cover Old Joes in key positions in top corporates as published by LMD. The last edition of LMDs top 50 had several Joes (perhaps most by any College) in leadership positions as either Chairman or CEO. This section aims to get to know these corporate giants and inspire the young Joes who are surely on the same path towards greatness.

LMD Rank	Company	Old Joe(s)
3	HNB	MD / CEO – Mr. Jonathan Alles
8	Ceylon Theatre Holdings	Chairman – Louis Page CEO – Ranjith Page
10	Cargills (Ceylon)	Chairman – Louis Page CEO – Ranjith Page
16	Singer (Sri Lanka)	CEO – Mr. Asoka Peiris
32	Ceylon Beverage Holdings	Chairman – Mr. Amal Cabraal
35	Lion Brewery Ceylon	Chairman – Mr. Amal Cabraal
39	LB Finance	CEO – Mr. Sumith Adhihetti

Whilst above is based on LMDs top 50 companies we wish to also remind that there are top companies and brands that are headed by Joes that may not have taken part in this exercise due to their own reasons, and thus will be covered in parallel in no particular order. The above list is what was on the most recent LMD ranking and this newsletter will focus on above leaders, but we will ensure that the great companies such as those headed by other notable and distinguished Old Joes in 'C' level are also included.

e.g. Jetwing Group headed by Mr. Hiran Cooray, Ambeon Holdings Chairman Mr. Sanjeev Gardener, AMW CEO Mr. Brandon Morris, Head of CRIB Mr. Nandi Anthony, Rockland Chairman and CEOs both whom are Joes as well as Ronald Perera who is the Chairman of Bank of Ceylon etc

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# JONATHAN ALLES



- Hailing from St. Joseph's College, Mr. Jonathan Alles is amongst the country's most successful industry leaders and is currently the Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer of Hatton National Bank; one of Sri Lanka's largest commercial banking institutions, which has proven to be systematically important in carrying out the nation's economic vision. Under his direction throughout the past 6 years, HNB has now progressed towards being Sri Lanka's number 1 bank, in addition to achieving great accolades in the form of best SME bank, best micro-finance bank, best cash management bank and best retail bank consecutively over the past 10 years.

- Mr. Alles, who joined St. Joseph's College at the age of nine in 1975, is said to have portrayed exceptional skill and shared interest with his older brother in the sport of Cricket, and was fortunate enough to be a part of the very first Under-11 team to represent College. His passion for cricket continued and bore fruits of leadership as he went onto lead the College First XI team at the Joe-Pete Cricket Encounter as Captain. Having been a very committed Josephian at the time, he admits that Cricket was his first love in College - amongst the many sports he was involved

in, which includes Athletics, Football and Tennis. He was named House Captain of Coudert House and has taken part in many Public and District Level Events during his schooling career.

- He also stated that he had the privilege of being a Junior Prefect in the 4th and 5th grades and was appointed a Middle School Prefect in 1978, where he expressed his vivid memory of presenting the welcoming bouquet to one of the previous First Ladies of Sri Lanka; Mrs. Premadasa, at the College Prize Giving Ceremony. His career as a Prefect did not end there, as he progressed towards being a Senior Prefect much later, and saw the culmination of his efforts as he was appointed College Head Prefect.

- When inquired about a few notable memories that he has of his life as a student, he stated that, "Looking back, in retrospect, every moment in College was a real blessing. Whether it was in class studying, the light banter with friends, the great camaraderie with the cricketers and even other schools, I enjoyed every minute of it. 40 years later, we are still close buddies and when we meet, it's as if nothing has changed. The true Josephian spirit which College instilled in us, still lingers on." He also claims that every lesson absorbed through his school-level experiences are being applied in his place of work and into his life, up to this very day.

- In terms of his professional career, Mr. Alles has found his lifelong passion in Banking and has been a part of the industry ever since he left College. Starting off at HSBC Sri Lanka in 1986 with a few fellow cricketers that he considered to be friends, he believes that a satisfying groundwork and platform was laid in order for him to receive the training he required. Opportunity knocked on his door in 1990 as he was cross posted to HSBC Dubai for a special project and was given roles of Senior Management at a relatively young age.

- Following his fairly long experience in Dubai, he returned to Sri Lanka at the age of 35 and assumed the role of Asst. General Manager of HNB in 2002, and was the first Manager of the Darley Road HNB branch which merged with Suduwella. He then progressed towards being the Chief Operating Officer in 2010 and Deputy Chief



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Officer, which was followed by his appointment as Managing Director – CEO in 2013; a position he has greatly added value to, over the past 6 years. He expressed his utmost joy in being able to serve his country as 'a banker to the people' with the combined efforts of over 5000 staff members and admitted that it provides continuous motivation for him to strive each day. He is extremely proud of the sustained growth that is being achieved by his organization and stated that awards and nominations only brings meaning and happiness to him if both him and his organization is appreciated as a consequence of the realization of organizational goals and values put into practice. He believes that it is a reflection of the efforts put in by all employees alike, as an organization as large as HNB cannot strive without its integral components and life blood.

- Apart from the many aforementioned awards received by the bank, Mr. Jonathan himself is a recipient of many accolades and honours such as, CIMA's Leadership Award, the CSR Leadership Award (2018), the Senior Business Leader Award (2018) offered by the Great Manager Awards and was even awarded 'Best Banking CEO of Sri Lanka' by the Asian Banker Awards - held in Bangkok - consecutively over the past 3 years.

- With regards to his exceptional success, Mr. Alles strongly believes that St. Joseph's College and his faith in God Almighty has had much to offer throughout his life. He states that the ability to empathize, motivate and lead were all valuable qualities instilled within him through team sports and leadership roles such as Captaincy and Prefectship, which made him realize that the strength of whatever task he undertakes depends greatly on the strength of his team. He is thankful for the opportunities that were placed before him by College and the trust that was placed in him to execute his responsibilities.

- He extended advice to all young Josephians by stating that every minute of school is meant to be cherished. He believes that God's will unfolds in everyone's life and that faith, hope and belief has the ability to create a great impact in whatever tasks we dare to undertake. Given that fact, his mentality and choice of lifestyle falls down to him doing his very best and leaving the rest to God; a fine

of us can abide by. Shifting his attention to young adults, Mr. Alles emphasized on the importance of being realistic and intelligent in the face of challenges brought forth by society. He stated that our acquaintances tend to possess great influence in shaping us in our journey towards being who we are meant to be, and that Josephian learnings should never be compromised for short term gains, as no amount of authority and money can compensate for the loss of integrity. He encourages the possession of strong principles and the sense of moderation to gain clear comprehension of opportunities and priorities, while remarking that you should follow your passion by being well focused and intelligent in finding and carving your niche – all while gaining enjoyment in whatever you seek to do.

- Mr. Alles continued to express that we should never fail to appreciate the enormous efforts put in by College to mold young Josephians; past, present and future alike, while adding that we should also come to appreciate those who work for the betterment of our alma mater and should do our best to give back to College, after everything it has bestowed upon us.

- Finally, after the recollection of many memories, lessons and opportunities presented to him through College, he concluded with the expression of his greatest joy as an Old Joe by stating that, "Now to end my career here, starting it at St. Joseph's College from one end of Darley Road and ending it at other end at HNB Towers, is a great coincidence and blessing."

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# ASOKA PEIRIS



- Mr. Asoka Peiris first joined St. Joseph's College Nursery in 1968 and progressed into the College Primary School in 1970. He completed his Advance Level Examination in 1982 and was the College Head Prefect in the year 1981. Having been the immediate past Group Chief Executive Officer of Singer Group, Sri Lanka from the year 2010-2018, Mr. Peiris is currently a highly respected industry leader with invaluable experience and is a Director of many Public Limited Companies in Sri Lanka.

- Mr. Peiris was named one of Sri Lanka's Top Businessmen consecutively in the past 5 years during his tenure as the Singer Group CEO and went onto receive the 'Hall of Fame Award' at the 'Great Manager Awards' in 2019. Apart from being a prestigious Rotarian of the Rotary Club of Colombo North, he is also a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Sri Lanka, a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (UK), a committee member of the Ceylon Chamber of Commerce and an Executive Council member of the Sri Lanka Retailers' Association.

- When inquired further about his schooling career at St.

Joseph's College, Mr. Peiris stated that his most memorable moment took shape in the form of his win as the quiz team captain over St. Peter's College at the 'Take It or Leave It' – General Knowledge Quiz Competition, held in the year 1981. He also represented College as a Tennis player and was a devoted grade President of the Young Catholic Student Movement and a member of the Debating Union. During his tenure as the Head Prefect of College, he strived towards the development of people through the upliftment of Clubs and Societies by adapting the concepts of fair decision making and listening; which are practices that he continues to integrate into his life up to this very date. He also spoke very highly of his younger brother, who too happens to be a celebrated Old Boy who followed in his brother's footsteps to earn the titles of YCS President, Quiz Team President and College Head Prefect.

- In the earlier years of his professional career, Mr. Peiris excelled in his CIMA and Chartered Accounting studies with flying colours; winning prizes for accounting and auditing at the chartered exams, while receiving training at an audit firm. Thereafter, he joined Singer Industries in Ratmalana, as a financial accountant and was promoted to the position of finance manager at Singer, Sri Lanka two years later. Prior to his appointment as the Group CEO, Mr. Asoka held positions at Singer, ranging from Deputy Finance Director and Finance Director to Chief Financial Officer of Singer Asia, based in Hong Kong.

- Taking his success into consideration, he believes that St. Joseph's College contributed greatly in his journey towards being an industry leader by giving him the opportunity to take on leadership roles through various extra-curricular activities, which required the management of human resources – a factor that he considers to be of utmost importance in the undertaking of any task; instilling in him the ability to 'see, judge and act' during any given instance, which has aided him greatly in making decisions both fair and effective.

- Upon the inquiry of which kind of advice he would give to young Josephians, Mr. Peiris remarked, "My advice to young Josephians are on two things. First of all, stand by your principles and values, because although many people today make compromises for short term gains, over





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a long period of time, it may not be worth it. Secondly, you need to be concerned about people. Regardless of the position that you hold and the projects that you conduct, people play a major role in carrying things out. Human Resources is the most important factor, and I encourage all Josephians to take part in extra-curricular activities to develop a sense of people management." He also stated that somebody who is at the commencement of their career should construct a long term plan and should work towards its fulfillment with a strong sense of purpose. He added that, "I uncompromisingly believe that whatever we do should be in accordance with religious belief and religious spirit. St. Joseph's has most certainly inculcated that in me", reverberating that his alma mater laid the foundation in creating a strong catholic personality within him.

*By Deon Wanigesinghe*

## PRADEEP AMIRTHANAYAGAM



Mr. Pradeep Amirthanayagam is a celebrated Old Boy of St. Joseph's College, Colombo 10, and is currently the Deputy Chief of Staff for the Prime Minister of Sri Lanka. He has 33 years of experience in the field of advertising and is the co-founder and CEO of Holmes Pollard & Stott; one of Sri Lanka's most successful advertising agencies over the past 30 years. He also currently holds the position of the Deputy Chair of People's Leasing and Finance PLC; the largest non-banking finance institution of Sri Lanka, which is now based in Bangladesh.

Mr. Amirthanayagam was enrolled into St. Joseph's College in the year 1970 and commenced his Josephian

career as a young Josephian cub; recalling his first class teacher to be Ms. Olga Jayamanne. As a student, he took part in many school activities ranging from sports and co-curricular to extra-curricular and house activities. He was a passionate dramatist and cast member of the Runners-Up team at the Inter-school Shakespeare Drama Competition and had exceptional skill in public speaking and singing, which influenced him to be an important member of the English Oratory Union and the St. Cecilia's Choir. He also displayed interest in College Cricket and represented St. Joseph's College in the Under-12 all island Cricket Tournament in 1975, and managed to emerge victorious against Ananda College – led by Arjuna Ranatunga – marking one of the most memorable moments in his schooling career.

Yet another memorable moment comes in the form of his appointment as a Senior Prefect, chosen alongside a handful of talented individuals; igniting in him the motivation to set high standards in whatever tasks and responsibilities he was ensured, due to the trust placed in him by College. He also played many initiative roles during this time as the charter Vice President of the Interact Club and the Founder of the United Nations Club, both of which are two of the most prestigious societies in College at present. At his final prize giving, Mr. Pradeep had the fortune of securing prizes for Economics and Accounting, while also being awarded gold medals for singing and English Oratory. It is his belief that St. Joseph's College inculcated strong Christian values in him and brought him closer to God Almighty, which in turn assisted him in being a better leader of men.

Mr. Amirthanayagam's professional career begins with the





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completion of 3 levels in Accountancy and the realization of his passion in the industry of Marketing and Advertising, fueled by his long term interest in the art of communication. He then proceeded to receive full qualification as a Chartered Marketer and is now a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Marketing, UK. Simultaneously, he further embarked on the fulfillment of his interest in communication by joining Radio Ceylon, where he learnt the basics of broadcasting and later signed up with BBC in London for one year, where he was trained in news reading and commentating. While pursuing his career in Marketing and Advertising, Mr. Pradeep conducted news reading for national television channels such as Rupavahini and ITN; continuing this career path for 20 long years. Although he does not read news on television at present, he takes initiative in compering and announcing at events of national significance such as, the National Independence Day, and has gained much recognition and influence in the process.

As a past Interact Vice President and an advocate in character development, Mr. Pradeep progressed towards being a member of the Rotary Club of Colombo West in 1988, where he was able to win many District level awards such as the Rotarian of the Year Award, Secretary of the Year Award and the President of the Year Award during his tenure as the 50th President of his respective Rotary Club. With the establishment of the award winning Holmes Pollard and Stott – his advertising agency – in 1990, he has continued to be an industry leader with invaluable experience. He proceeds to state that, "The greatest joy is seeing your dreams and thoughts become reality. Those are the trophies that you win every day when you have a dream and strive towards making it happen. I believe that it gives you the greatest satisfaction. The other greatest satisfaction is knowing that you are getting closer to your creator, which is a daily living experience. Then, whatever happens to you, may it be good or bad, you can take it in your stride because you know that God works for your best and he is in full control of your life"

Being a strong believer in God Almighty, Mr. Amirthanayagam has continued the practice of attending Holy Mass every single day – with the understanding of its importance - since the latter part of his schooling career, and is a ritual that he uncompromisingly follows each day,

amidst his tenuous schedule. Having a strong faith in religion is something that he claims that St. Joseph's College has instilled in him and is one of his most admirable characteristics as a person and an Old Joe. Following his appointment as the Dep. Chair of People's Leasing and Finance PLC in 2015 and his appointment as the Dep. Chief of Staff to the Prime Minister in April 2019 he states that he's had doubts about the continuation of his attendance at Holy Mass every day, but has not faltered in his practice so far. "It shows that if you have a will, there's a way, and if you pray about it, God will also give you that grace", remarked Mr. Pradeep while expressing his happiness over being graced with 3 children who are also doing well at present.

In addition to the above, he testifies that College contributed to the development of his leadership skills by entrusting opportunities for growth and recognition; providing exposure to people of stature at a very young age, which led to stronger decision making and inspiration in his career over the past 33 years. His advice to young Josephians is of utmost value as he states that prayer should be given prominence in life and that with your parents and God by your side, anything is possible. He encourages students to make strong bonds with their peers at school, as they are the ones that will stick with you and know you best, all throughout your life.

He urges the youth to pursue passion, as he commented, "Follow your passion. Follow your dream. It might sound unrealistic or extremely difficult, but with prayer and perseverance, there is nothing that you cannot achieve. Don't give up. Even if you stumble and fail, keep going at it. Today, there are many opportunities for school leavers. So look at those opportunities where you can create a name for yourself. If you have an idea and you believe you can achieve success, then by all means, go for it." He encourages mistakes, as they are stepping stones to success and emphasized on the importance of having a positive mindset which resonates positive thoughts through body language, in order to inculcate positive attitudes in people, as St. Joseph's College has very dearly done for him.

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# TILL THE MOUNTAINS DISAPPEAR .. BLUE WHITE AND BLUE BILLOWS HIGH OVER THE HIMALAYAS

Those famous lines from the College Anthem that all Josephians have sung many a time became something of a surreal feeling for a couple of Joes as the Blue White and Blue flag billowed high over the Himalayas -the tallest mountain on earth on the 7 of May 2019. The Josephian flag seemed an intriguingly odd one out when all other hikers flew their national flags. Joes were also joined by a Peterite who was quick to pull out the Peterite flag as it waved together as one which was a testament to the brotherhood which the Joes and Peterites always reflected in their actions.

Shahan Peries (SJC batch of 98), Shalana Rodrigo - (SJC batch of 1986) was joined by a Peterite Lakshimal Samarasinghe - (SPC batch of 2009 ) all of whom are no regular mountaineers, this time decided to challenge their limits in achieving this milestone of a lifetime. Having been trekking for 12 days in unknown terrain with minimum facilities and against all odds The Saints were able to overcome all obstacles with the Lord's blessings.

Speaking to Blue and White College Magazine on the experience, Shahan echoed the sentiments "believe in yourself. go beyond your limits. In God everything is possible."

They would also like to thank the Josephian and Peterite family for the encouragement and support.



By Shahan Peries

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# JOES DANCE 2019

- The Old Boys Union has decided to cancel the annual Joes Black-Tie Ball for 2019 in honor of the victims of the Easter Sunday Bombings. Being a premier institution, the St. Joseph's College OBU unanimously agreed to cancel this years dance despite having booked the hall at Hilton and made many arrangements including having made significant investments in continuing the traditions of being the #1 Ball in the country. The same committee will notify the progress and proceedings of the 2020 Joes Dance. The 2019 Chairman, Mr. Dilshan Wevita will continue to undertake responsibilities in the next year as well.

- We apologize for any inconvenience for those who have always been part of the Ball and were looking forward to it, but we are sure that your heart is also with those who were the victims of the Easter Sunday Attack in Sri Lanka and let this sacrifice help us as a nation to know whats important.

- OBU Dance Committee will however celebrate mass and pray for those who were affected and will make this a time to stand in solidarity as one nation.

## ACADEMIC

Josephians continue to push forward with their achievements in academic success as the students who sat for Ordinary Level (O/L) examinations in December 2018 were rewarded when 34 students obtained 9As, and 25 8As and a B. In comparison to previous years whilst there is a slight drop in the 9As from the typical 45+ it was clear that some had narrowly missed the mark as overall the success rate is high when considering average results in the batch. Whilst other Catholic schools have improved on their achievements than their previous years, St. Joseph's College still maintains itself ahead of the flock despite a slight drop in the number of 9As compared to its own previous achievements.

### ORDINARY LEVEL RESULTS

	2016	2017	2018
Number of 9As (excluding London O/Ls)	44	46	34
Number of 8As & 1B (excluding London O/Ls)	TBC	30	25

\*Year shows the year in which the students sat for the exam

\*Typically a batch consist of nearly 250 students who sit for exams (could vary between 240 – 260) \*Above does not consider any results from the branch schools

### ADVANCED LEVEL RESULTS

	2016	2017	2018
Number of 3As (excluding London A/Ls)	21	13	19
Total students eligible for University	152	145	173
Number of students selected for main streams	50	52	63



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## PARENTS SITTING AREA RENOVATIONS FOR THE 4TH SUCCESSIVE YEAR BY A GROUP OF 20 FROM JOES 2000

A group of 20 from Joes 2000 for the 4th consecutive year will be involved with the upkeep of the Parents Sitting Area (near the Steel Structure). The Joes 2000 Team made up of almost 20 contributors, originally collected LKR 1m to renovate the Parents Sitting Area and bring it back to life. With repairs to walls, floor and completely overhauling the 2 toilets as well as fitting some new toilet fittings the Parents Sitting Area has seen 100s of parents and children finding shelter daily before starting school and after school before starting sports practices. Even the area in front of the sitting area was paved with the contribution of the Old Boys Union and the Batch of 2000.

Due to the heavy usage by both school children and their parents, there are plenty of van drivers and outsiders who patronize college for other events that use this area, thus requiring constant maintenance. Whilst the facilities manager in College is entrusted with daily, weekly and monthly repairs it is understood that the only effective maintenance seen is which the group of 20 from the Joes 2000 batch does annually in December. This year too the Joes 2000 group of 20 will be doing the renovations a bit earlier due to the current situation with security in College which makes this area an invaluable asset.

*- Batch of 2000*

## SJC OBU ONLINE DATABASE

The team made up of Dilan, Sudesh, Derrick and Rajive from the OBU Council have managed to complete sprint 1 of phase 1 in the Online DB. The three phases and sprints are

### PHASE 1

#### SPRINT 1

- Setup an online DB and enter all member details
- Give members access online and allow them to update their data

\*members whose mail addresses that are outdated or inaccurate will need to speak to the OBU Secretariat and get it updated personally to avoid any security breaches

Allow communication through the online portal for matters relating specifically to the OBU (e.g. ensuring that OBU members only are given access to certain information which only OBU members are privy to)

#### SPRINT 2

- Allow the DB to enroll new members online with minimal manual work (e.g. handing over money will be manual until Sprint 3)
- This will see the DB linking up with college administration to allow all documents to be available online (e.g. leaving certificate and character certificate to be made available as a SW copy as well)

#### SPRINT 3

- Fully automate the Online DB for members to even make payments or contribute donations online to the OBU





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## PHASE 2

This will be the target in 2020 for college to also extend the DB to Parents and Current Boys (e.g. link it with College existing DB) so OBU can for certain events even broadcast important messages to College parents and the boys (with Fr. Rector / President of the OBU) having the key to send such messages (to avoid anyone abusing the rights of such technology)

## PHASE 3

To allow the Online DB to also be extended to College in the form of a Education Management System

# UPCOMING OBU EVENTS

Due to the prevailing security protocols, the upcoming OBU events such as Career Day will be notified later. However, Career Day will be taken over by Russel Valentine and his batch going forward on behalf of the OBU as Rajive Silva hands it over after a 3 year period where it saw the standards and involvements of well known educational institutions having improved drastically. Last year (2018) Russel Valentine did a splendid job with his batch mates in organizing it and with its successful completion, Russel is appointed this year onwards as the youngest Chairman of the Career Day sub-committee. Russel was a former Head Prefect of St. Joseph's and is part of the Old Joes Choir and continues to be a young leader in the making.

# JOES SPORTS NEWS

## SOCCKER

### JOES CROWNED ALL-ISLAND DIV A FOOTBALL CHAMPS FOR THE 3RD CONSECUTIVE YEAR

St Joseph's College further consolidated its super power status in soccer by winning the Under 18 All Island Schools Soccer Championship by beating Royal College 2 goals to 1 at the Finals played at Sugathadasa Stadium. The Goal Scorers for St Joseph's College were Shenal Sandesh and Kavindiya Rupasinghe

PLAYER OF THE MATCH KAVINDIYA RUPASINGHE

GOLDEN BOOT SHENAL SANDESH

GOLDEN BALL SHENAL SANDESH



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With this win St Joseph's College won all titles on offer for Soccer by winning the Under 15 All Island, Under 20 All Island and now Under 18 All Island which continues to wow! the soccer community across the island. Sachinthaka Perera led the Josephians this year, and incidentally his older brother Mayuraka Perera led Joes for the All Island Title in 2017.



## SJC SPORTS COUNCIL FELICITATES THE WINNING JOES FOOTBALL TEAM MANAGEMENT

The Sports Council Felicitated the Coaches and Master in Charge of Soccer for their efforts in winning Championships in the last three years





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# CRICKET

## 1ST XI – JOES VS ROYAL

### P 121 SJC WON 28 RC WON 22

St Joseph's College drew with Royal College, Colombo in the 122nd First XI Cricket match played at Darley Rd

**Royal College 1st Innings 240 for 9 wkts dec in 98 overs**  
Salinda Seneviratne 6 for 83, Ashian Daniel 2 for 68

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 240 for 8 dec in 66 overs**  
Johanne de Zilva 20, Sheran Fonseka 53, Dineth Jayakody 73, Shevaan Rasool 26

**Royal College 2nd Innings 98 for 4 at close in 39 overs**  
Salinda Seneviratne 3 for 45



## 1ST XI - JOES VS ST. SEBASTIAN'S

St Joseph's College drew with St Sebastian's College, Moratuwa in a First XI match played at Moratuwa

**St Sebastian's College 1st Innings 232 all out in 64.4 overs**  
Salinda Seneviratne 6 for 81, Miranga Wickremage 2 for 19, Dunith Wellalage 2 for 55

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 320 all out in 84.1 overs**  
Johanne de Zilva 80, Shevon Daniel 43, Dineth Jayakody 89, Sachintha Mahindasinghe 29

**St Sebastian's College 2nd Innings 196 for 6 at close in 43 overs**  
Salinda Seneviratne 5 for 55

## 1ST XI – JOES VS WESLEY

St Joseph's College drew with Wesley College in the Annual Cricket encounter played for the Claessan - Hakel Trophy at Campbell Park

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 413 for 6 dec in 83 overs**  
Johanne de Zilva 55, Sheran Fonseka 45, Dineth Jayakody 124, Dunith Wellalage 102, Sachintha Mahindasinghe 27 n.o, Yesith Rupasinghe 23 n.o

**Wesley College 1st Innings 407 all out in 100.5 overs**  
Johanne de Zilva 3 for 65, Dunith Wellalage 4 for 133, salinda Seneviratne 3 for 50

## 1ST XI – JOES VS NALANDA

St Joseph's College drew with Nalanda College in a match played at Darley Rd

**Nalanda College 1st Innings 196 all out in 70.2 overs**  
Shenuk Serasinghe 6 for 54, Klenn Kalyanaratne 3 for 27

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 243 for 9 dec in 62 overs**  
Dinal Anuradha 77, Dilesh Perera 69, Yanick Muller 23, Ravindra Yasasiri 21 n.o

**Nalanda College 2nd Innings 170 for 6 in 60 overs at Close**  
Ashan de Alwis 2 for 13



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## 1ST XI – JOES VS TRINITY

**P 107 SJC WON 36 TC WON 14**

St Joseph's College drew with Trinity College, Kandy in the 108th First XI Cricket match played at Darley Rd

**Trinity College 1st Innings 232 all out in 76.2 overs**

Salinda Seneviratne 3 for 81, Ashian Daniel 4 for 67

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 341 for 6 dec in 79 overs**

Johanne de Zilva 79, Shevon Daniel 73, Dineth Jayakody 45, Dilesh Perera 48, Sachintha Mahindasinghe 58, Lakshan Gamage 30 not out

**Trinity College 2nd Innings 147 for 9 at close in 54.4 overs**

Salinda Seneviratne 5 for 78, Ashian Daniel 2 for 41

## 1ST XI – JOES VS ST. ANTHONY'S

**P 97 SJC WON 41 SAC WON 5**

St Joseph's College lost to St Anthony's College, Kandy by innings and 17 runs in the 107th First XI Cricket encounter played at Katugastota for the Murali – Vaas Trophy

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 218 all out in 49.1 overs**

Johanne de Zilva 59, Dineth Jayakody 35, Duniith Wellalage 42, Lakshan Gamage 22,

**St Anthony's College 1st Innings 354 for 7 dec in 100.1 overs**

Salinda Seneviratne 2 for 53, Ashian Daniel 2 for 118, Miranga Wickremage 2 for 14

**St Joseph's College 2nd Innings 119 all out in 40.3 overs**

Sheran Fonseka 23, Duniith Wellalage 52

Sheran Fonseka won the Best Fielders award

## 1ST XI – JOES VS ANANDA

St Joseph's College drew with Ananda College in a match played at Ananda Mawatha

**Ananda College 1st Innings 193 all out in 49 overs**

Ashaian Daniel 4 for 55, Ashan de Alwis 2 for 33

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 314 all out in 82.5 overs**

Johanne de Zilva 59, Sheran Fonseka 31, Dineth Jayakody 115, Lakshan Gamage 43

**Ananda College 2nd Innings 251 for 8 in 57 overs**

Duniith Wellalage 2 for 75, Johanne de Zilva 2 for 19,

## 1ST XI – JOES VS ST. BENEDICT'S

St Joseph's College drew with St Benedict's College in a tournament match played at Darley Rd and also for the Mack Croner Trophy

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 301 for 7 dec in 89 overs**

Sheran Fonseka 75, Shevon Daniel 81, Dineth Jayakody 25, Dinal Anuradha 23, Duniith Wellalage 40 n.o., Lakshan Gamage 25

**St Benedict's College 1st Innings 120 all out in 53.4 overs**

Ashian Daniel 2 for 35, Salinda Seneviratne 4 for 38

**St Joseph's College 2nd Innings 106 for 3 in 30 overs at close**

Lakshan Gamage 27 n.o., Duniith Wellalage 29 n.o







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## ALL ISLAND DIV 1 CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINALS 1ST XI – JOES VS ST. SEBASTIAN'S

St Joseph's College beat St Sebastian's College, Moratuwa on the first innings in the Semi Final of the Schools Two day tournament and met St Thomas' College, Mt Lavinia in the Finals which was played at Royal College grounds on the 11th & 12th April, as we play the 2nd Successive Final St Joseph's College won the Championship last year under Jehan Daniel

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 433 all out in 107.5 overs**  
Johanne de Silva 59, Dinal Anuradha 26, Dineth Jayakody 116, Dunith Wellalage 62, Lakshan Gamage 79, Yesith Rupasinghe 26, Ashain Daniel 22 n. o

**St Sebastian's College 85 all out in 34.4 overs**  
Johanne de Silva 3 for 18, Dunith Wellalage 7 for 22

## FINALS 1ST XI – JOES VS ST. THOMAS' MOUNT-LAVINIA

The Champion Josephian Under 19 team, winners of the All Island Tournament for the 2nd Successive year. (Full article will be published in the next newsletter)



Battle of the Saints - Big-Match



## MINI-BATTLE

St Joseph's College drew with St Peter's College in the Mini Battle of the Saints played at Darley Rd

**St Peter's College 1st Innings 160 all out in 68.3 overs**  
Mithira Thenura 4 for 27, Klenn Kalyanaratne 3 for 53

**St Joseph's College 1st Innings 175 for 9 dec in 52.3 overs**

Rishitha Perera 50, Shevaan Rassool 41, Sadeesh Jayawardena 21

**St Peter's College 2nd Innings 204 for 5 in 61 overs**  
Shenuk Serasinghe 2 for 57



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Man of the Match Rishitha Perera (SJC)  
Best Batsman Rishika Santhush (SPC)  
Best Bowler Mithira Thenura. (SJC)  
Best Fielder Yesith Rupasinghe (SJC)

## BIG-MATCH

St Joseph's College drew with St Peter's College in the 85th Battle of the Saints Cricket encounter played at the P Sara Oval

### St Peter's College 1st Innings 219 all out in 60 overs

Lakshan Gamage 2 for 38, Ashan de Alwis 2 for 43, Ashian Daniel 3 for 58

### St Joseph's College 1st Innings 286 for 8 dec in 60 overs

Johanne de Silva 45, Sheran Fonseka 37, Dineth Jayakody 77, Dilesh Perera 62, Sachintha Mahindasinghe 22

### St Peter's College 2nd Innings 317 for 6 in 79 overs at close

Ashian Daniel 2 for 65

Man of the Match Santhush Gunatilleke (SPC)  
Best All Rounder Kanishka Maduwantha (SPC)  
Best Batsman Santhush Gunatilleke (SPC)  
Best Bowler Ashian Daniel (SJC)  
Best Fielder Sheran Fonseka (SJC)



Best Bowler  
Ashian Daniel

Best Fielder  
Sheran Fonseka



## BATTLE OF THE SAINTS – ONE DAY MATCH



St Joseph's College beat St Peter's College by 10 runs on the Duckworth/Lewis System in the 45th Josephian Peterite Limited Over encounter played at the SSC grounds. St Joseph's College retained the Rev Fr Peter A Pillai memorial Shield, and with this win the tally goes upto 23 for SJC and 20 for SPC. Sachintha Mahindasinghe and Lakshan Gamage were involved in a record breaking stand for any wicket when they put on 179 runs for the 7th wicket, after St Joseph's were 61 for 6 at one stage, enabling to get 250 on the Board, St Peter's College finished with 175 for 5 in 41overs when bad light stopped play.

### St Joseph's College 250 all out in 49.3 overs

Lakshan Gamage 101, Sachintha Mahindasinghe 74

### St Peter's College 175 for 5 in 41 overs

Ashian Daniel 3 for 26

### Award Winners

Best Fielder Santhush Gunatilleke (SPC)  
Best Bowler Ashian Daniel (SJC)  
Best Batsman Sachintha Mahindasinghe (SJC)  
Man of the Match Lakshan Gamage (SJC)





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## OLD BOY HIRAN COORAY PRESENTS CASH AWARDS TO THE STARS OF THE JOE-PETE ONE DAY

Former Josephian Cricketer Hiran Cooray presented cash awards to the two stars of the Josephian- Peterite Limited over match for their all time record for the 7th wicket and any wicket.

The presentation was done by Fr Travis Gabriel, Rector, with Fr Milan Bernard Prefect of Games and Parents in attendance





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## 50 OVER TOURNAMENT – QUARTER FINAL – JOES VS RICHMOND

St Joseph's College lost to Richmond College in the Quarter Final match of the Schools Limited over played at Galle.

St Joseph's College 116 all out in 29.4 overs  
Dilesh Perera 48

Richmond College 120 for 8 in 36.4 overs  
Ashian Daniel 4 for 27



## JOSEPHIAN CRICKET CARNIVAL

TEAM RED EMERGED CHAMPIONS AT THE SECOND JOSEPHIAN CRICKET CARNIVAL.

ROSHENE SILVA, NATIONAL CRICKETER WAS THE CHIEF GUEST AND GAVE AWAY

### THE AWARDS

Champions Team Red  
Runner up. Team Purple  
Best Batsman. Sanuja Pererà  
Best Bowler. Kanishka Dissanayake  
Best Fielder. Chamath Pererà

### Finals

Man of the Match Kaven Pathirana  
Best Batsman. Chamath Perera  
Best Bowler. Kaven Pathirana  
Best Fielder. Chamath Pererà

Upcoming player Grade 6 Sanuja Dihen  
Upcoming player Grade 7 Nimthaka Gunewardene



## OLD JOE DIMUTH KARUNARATNE TAKES OVER AS SRI LANKA CAPTAIN FOR THE WORLD CUP

Our Congratulations to Dimuth Karunaratne for being appointed as Captain for the Sri Lanka Cricket team's tour of South Africa







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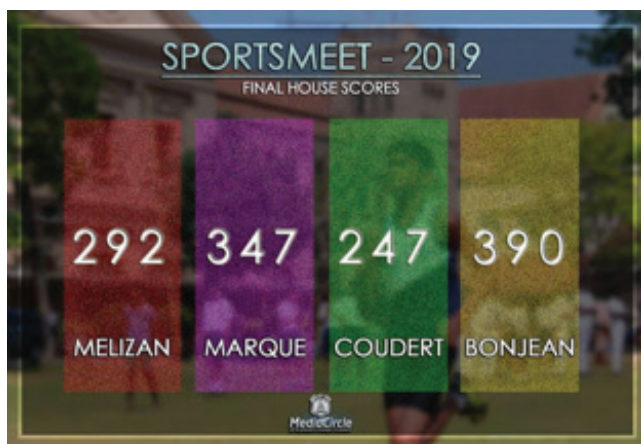
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# ATHLETICS

## INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS MEET



Presented are the Final Standings at the College Sports Meet with Bonjean House leading all the way from the start, it was a great success with the College media circle going live on this day.





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## JOES ATHLETES TRIUMPH AS OVERALL CHAMPS AT DIVISIONAL MEET

St Joseph's College were overall Champions at the Divisional Athletic meet Colombo Central. The following emerged victorious in their respective events.

### UNDER 12

Shanelka Cooray	60 M	1st Place
	100 M	1st Place
Sandaru Wijesinghe	High Jump	1st Place
	Long Jump	1st Place

Shanelka Cooray		
Duala Perera		
Mario Suraweera		
Sandaru Wijesinghe	4 X 50 Relay	1st Place

### UNDER 14

Ivano White	Putt Shot	1st Place
Joshua Jayawardena	80 M Hurdles	1st Place
Sasanka Ranaweera		
Joshua Jayawardena		
Anik Fernando		
Pamitha Mihiruth	4 X 100 Relay	1st Place

### UNDER 16

Nadith Hettiarachchi	High Jump	1st Place
Dineth Sanjula	100 M	1st Place
	200 M	1st Place
	400 M	1st Place

Dineth Hirusha		
Nadith Hettiarachchi		
Dimira Udantha		
Nichole Perera	4 X 100 Relay	1st Place

Dineth Sanjula		
Dimantha Karunaratne		
Ruchitha Rodrigo		
Nichole Perera	4 X 400 Relay	1st Place

### UNDER 18

Sanuth Perera	100 M	1st Place
	200 M	1st Place
Gayan Dharshana	Triple Jump	1st Place
Pasindu Malshan	Long Jump	1st Place
Sanuth Perera		
Pasindu Malshan		
Gayan Dharshana		
Denver de Waas	4 X 100 Relay	1st Place

## SWIMMING

### 5KM OPEN SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP

The following were placed in the 9th 5KM open water Swimming Championship

27th Place Nulan Sovis

30th Place Ranishka Fernando

36th Place Dilendra Ratnayake

38th Place Induwara Rupasinghe

### 46TH ANNUAL 2M SEA SWIM (AMBALANGODA)

St Joseph's College finished in the second place at the 46th Annual Ambalangoda 2 Mile Sea swim with 66 points. Nuvindu Perera and Dishane Ranaweera finished 1st and 2nd Places.



Dishan Ranaweera (2nd Place on Left) and Nuvindu Perera (1st Place on Right) with Prefect of Games Rev Fr Milan Bernard







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## JOES PICKED FOR THE 12TH ISF WORLD SCHOOLS SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIP IN BRAZIL

The following boys were picked to represent Sri Lanka at the 12th ISF World Schools Championship to be held in Rio De Janiero,Brazil, Shevinda de Silva, Brinston Pieris, Nuvinu Perera, Chris Rufus, Navod Sebastian, Dilendra Ratnayake and Dishane Ranaweera, the opportunity was granted to Mr Ruwan Manawadu as Coach and Ms Malka Jayasinghe as Teacher in Charge



### 1st Round Fixtures

28th February	Vs	Science College	Longdon Place
9th March	Vs	St Anthony's College	Nittawela
16th March	Vs	Zahira College	Longdon Place
22nd March	Vs	Trinity College	Longdon Place
30th March	Vs	Isipathana College	Longdon Place



## RUGBY

## THARINDU DE ALWIS TO LEAD THE JOES (AKA THE SAINTS) IN THE 2019/20 RUGBY SEASON

St Joseph's College led by Tharindu de Alwis will open the Rugby season on the 28th February when they confront Science College at the CR & FC grounds





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### JOES (THE SAINTS) VS SCIENCE COLLEGE, MOUNT LAVINIA

St Joseph's College beat Science College 20 points to 14 in the first game of the Schools Rugby league tournament match played at the CR & FC grounds. Try scorers for St Joseph's College were Tharindu Maduranga 2, Tharindu de Alwis 1 with Santhush Algama converting 1 try and putting over a Penalty



### JOES VS ST ANTHONY'S COLLEGE (THE SAINTS VS THE EAGLES) ON FRIDAY 8TH MARCH 2019 AT NITTAWELA

St Joseph's College beat St Anthony's College 38 points to 5 in the Schools Rugby league tournament match played at the Nittawela grounds. Try scorers for St Joseph's College were Rashane Gunewardena 2, Nehan Perera, Sudaraka Devapriya, Gershorm Thangiah 1 each with Santhush Algama converting 4 tries and a penalty and Aaron Perera putting over 1 conversion



### JOES VS ZAHIRA COLLEGE ON THE 15TH MARCH 2019 AT HAVELOCK GROUNDS

St Joseph's College beat Zahira College 47 points to 5 in the Schools Rugby league tournament match played at Havelock Grounds. Try scorers for St Joseph's College were Tharindu Maduranga, Rashane Gunewardena, Santhush Algama, Tharindu de Alwis, Nehan Perera, Sudaraka Devapriya 1 each and also a Penalty try being awarded too, with Santhush Algama converting 6 tries

### JOES VS TRINITY COLLEGE (THE SAINTS VS THE LIONS) ON FRIDAY 22ND MARCH 2019 AT HAVELOCK GROUNDS.

**ROHAN CHANMUGAM CAPTAIN OF THE JOSEPHIAN RUGBY TEAM 1969 WILL BE THE CHIEF GUEST**

St Joseph's College beat Trinity College convincingly 37 points to 19 in the Schools Rugby league tournament match played at Havelock Grounds. With this win, St Joseph's College leads the group going into the Final match of the first round with Isipathana College. Try scorers for St Joseph's College were Tharindu Maduranga (2), Tharindu de Alwis, Sudaraka Devapriya, Cheika Jayawardena (1 each), with Santhush Algama converting 3 tries and putting over 2 penalties







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## JOES VS ISIPATHANA (THE SAINTS VS THE GREEN MACHINE)

St Joseph's College beat Isipathana College in a closely contested match by 18 points to 17 in the Schools Rugby league tournament match played at Havelock Grounds. With this win, St Joseph's College is the only unbeaten team at the conclusion of the first round and goes into the Championship round as leaders of the group. Try scorers for St Joseph's College were Pavindu Dilshan and Hasitha Wijesekera 1 each, with Santhush Algama converting 1 try and putting over 2 penalties



## POINTS TABLE

Teams	P	W	L	D	T	C	P	DG	PF	PA	BP	TOTAL
St Joseph's College	5	5	0	0	22	16	6	0	160	60	3	28
Isipathana College	5	4	1	0	18	9	6	0	126	50	4	24
St Peter's College	5	4	1	0	24	18	2	0	162	57	3	23
Royal College	5	4	1	0	21	10	2	0	131	59	3	23
S.Thomas' College	5	3	2	0	16	11	4	0	114	87	4	19
Trinity College	5	3	2	0	24	9	1	0	141	105	2	17
Wesley College	5	2	3	0	18	10	7	0	131	110	4	14
Science College	5	2	3	0	12	4	5	0	83	123	2	12

## 2ND ROUND RUGBY FIXTURES

The Championship round of the Schools Rugby League will start for St Joseph's College on the 22nd April 2019 when they meet Wesley College at the CR & FC grounds, Longdon Place. St Joseph's College is the only unbeaten team in the tournament so far, and the support of the every Josephian is needed to create history in college Rugby.



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## BOXING

2 gold medals were won by our boxers at the Junior National Championship in the 90 Kgs category

## ROWING

St Joseph's College won 5 Gold Medals, 5 Silver Medals and 7 Bronze Medals at the Junior National Championship held at Diyawannawa.

Under 16 Fours Gold  
Under 16 Sculls Bronze  
Under 18 Sculls Bronze  
Under 18 Fours Silver  
Under 18 Quad Bronze



## BADMINTON

St Joseph's College won two Championships at the recently held SSC Open Badminton Championship.  
Under 15 singles champion - Sanjana Dewasurendra  
Under 13 singles champion - Thidasa Weragoda

## BASKETBALL

St Joseph's College beat St Anthony's College, Wattala 44 points to 26 to win the Under 17 Western Province Jathika Pasal tournament

## SQUASH

11 year old Mohammed Rilwan the has been picked to represent Sri Lanka at the 26th Asian Junior Individual Championship to be held in Maccau



## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR RUSSEL BAPTISTE

There will be a thanksgiving service for the life of late Russel Baptiste at St Mary's Church Bambalapitiya on the 28th March 2019 at 6.30 PM.

Russel played Basketball, and was in the Championship winning team. He also played Rugby, and did Athletics for St Joseph's College



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## NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SJC OBU

### St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Union



### Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Old Boys' Union of St. Joseph's College, Colombo 10 will be held on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at the Bonjean Memorial Hall, followed by fellowship.

#### PROGRAMME

- 8.30 a.m. - Holy Mass
- 9.30 a.m. - Breakfast
- 10.30 a.m. - Annual General Meeting

#### AGENDA

01. Opening prayer
02. Reading of the notice convening the meeting
03. Lighting of the traditional oil lamp
04. Mark of respect for old Josephians called for higher services
05. Address by the President
06. Adoption of the minutes of the last AGM held on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018
07. Matters arising out of the minutes
08. Annual report for the year 2018 / 2019
09. Adoption of the audited accounts for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019
10. Appointing of office bearers to the Council of Management 2019 / 2020 based on nominations received during the period 1<sup>st</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> May 2019
11. Election of batch representatives
  - 3 Representatives Prior to 1967
  - 3 Representatives from the Batch of 1968 - 1972
  - 3 Representatives from the Batch of 1973 - 1977
  - A representative each from the Batch of 1978 - 2018
12. Election of auditors
13. Any other business
14. Vote of thanks
15. College anthem followed by the national anthem

**N.B.:** Entry to the meeting and eligibility to vote will be on production of the SJC-OBU Membership Card / No., except in the case of new members whose membership cards have not been issued. They should produce the original payment receipt.

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## NOMINATIONS CALLED FOR OFFICE BEARERS FOR 2019/20



### Nominations for Office Bearers 2017-2018

Nominations are hereby called to elect the following office bearers of the Council of Management of the Union.

- The Senior Vice President
- Four (4) Vice Presidents (Elected)
- The Honorary Secretary
- The Honorary Asst. Secretary
- The Honorary Treasurer
- The Honorary Asst. Treasurer
- The Honorary Social Secretary

- All nominations should reach OBU Secretariat, addressed to the Hony. Secretary between the 1st to 15th of May 2017
- All such nominations shall be proposed and seconded, by a member each of The Union and shall be on a prescribed form which will be made available by the Honorary Secretary at the Secretariat of the Union on First (1st) of May 2017
- All nominations shall include a brief resume of the Nominee.
- Only and only if, no nominations have been received for a post or posts of Office Bearer/s, as stipulated hereinbefore, the members shall have the right of nominating a suitable person/s for such post/s by proposing and seconding at the Annual General Meeting.
- Batch Representatives will also be elected at the Annual General Meeting. Nominations for the posts of Batch Representatives as set out in the Constitution will be sought at the Annual General Meeting itself.

The minimum qualifications to be eligible to be nominated as an elected Office Bearer would be as follows:

- A minimum period of two (2) years, necessarily not continuous, of service in any capacity in the Council or having previously held Office as an Office Bearer in the Union.
- Should not have been expelled from the Council, for whatsoever reason, in the past.
- Should be a Life Member of The Union.
- The nominee for the post of Senior Vice President should have been a member of The Union for a minimum period of Fifteen (15) years, and a member of the Council for a minimum period of Three (3) years.
- The nominees for the posts of Vice Presidents (Elected) should have been members of The Union for a minimum period of Ten (10) years.
- No member shall be eligible for re-election or re-nomination as an Office Bearer of The Union, for more than 3 consecutive years. This provision shall not apply to the President of The Union, the Immediate Past Senior Vice President. But nothing shall prevent an Office Bearer who has served for a consecutive period of 3 years, being appointed as a Batch Representative.

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