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## **YOUNG STUDENTS FOR YOUTHFUL LIFE**

SELF IDENTITY; SAFE SCHOOL; NEW SOCIETY

**HAND BOOK**



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## XVIII NATIONAL COUNCIL THEME SONG

**“Young students for youthful life”**

Celebrate youthfulness

Come, together sing a song  
Celebrate youthfulness  
Spread around happiness  
Come, carry love along  
Live a life filled with grace  
May our mouth sing God's praise...sing God's praise.

Chorus;

We are ...  
the voice of love  
the voice of Hope  
the voice of joy  
the voice of peace  
Come, together build a dream...let's build our dream.



### **YCS YSM Anthem**

**Ch:** Let YCS light shine, Let YSM light shine  
Let our light shine, bright and clear, For all the world to see

1. True to our own motto build a just society [2]  
With peace and equity Freedom and love  
National Integrity [2]

2. See Judge and Act our review of life [2]  
Let Communal Harmony, Human dignity  
Reign in our land and the world [2]



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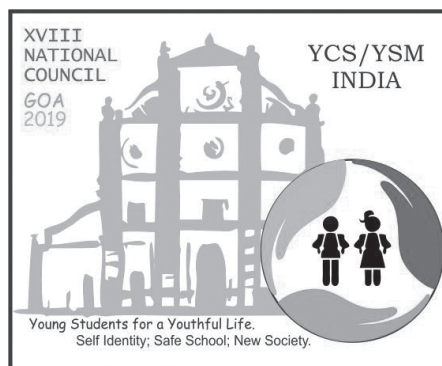
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## **“Young students for youthful life”**



National Council logo is a multicolor logo in which the circle with three caring hands symbolises the movement caring for the student community. Inside the circle there are two students, a boy and a girl. One of the thrusts for the next three years is ‘safe school’. Tricolor symbolises the National flag and unity. This year the Council is held in Goa, the land of Churches and faith, hence the Bom Jesus Basilica in grey color in the background.

YCS/YSM National Council is the time to reflect on the theme and the thrusts to understand our vocation to live a youthful life.

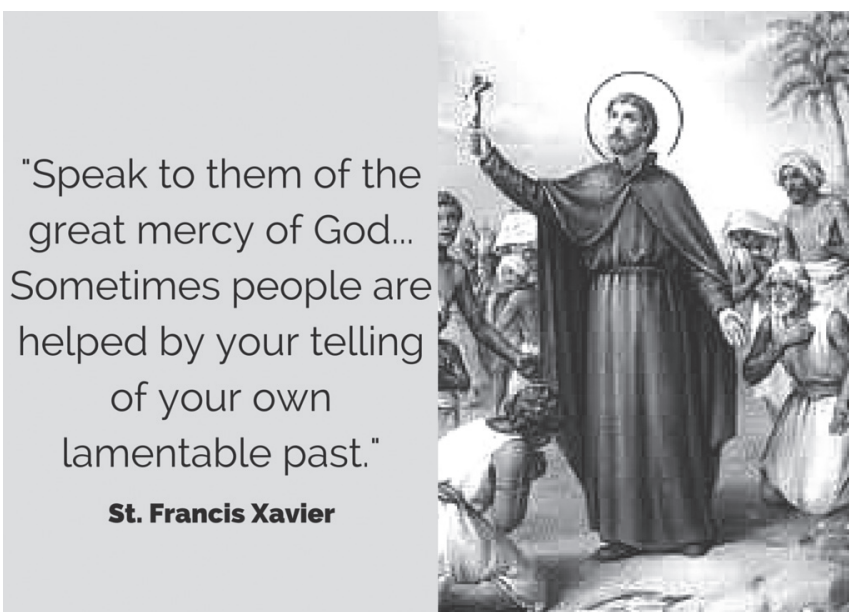
### **THE PLEDGE OF THE DELEGATES**

We the delegates of YCS/YSM XVIII National Council, gather to study, decide & plan on the theme ‘**Young students for youthful life**’, hereby pledge to do our best, to do our duty keeping in mind our motto, ‘SEE-JUDGE-ACT and evaluate in true spirit of human values, respecting each other to work towards BUILDING A NEW SOCIETY - KINGDOM OF GOD, through the methodology. May the grace of God be upon us in this endeavour.

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## Preface

We are in Goa - the land of faith, for the XVIII National Council. Goa is known for beaches, music and beautiful churches and chapels. When you visit Goa, you'll see grottos, chapels at every nook and corner. Goa is known for youthfulness and it is part of their culture. St. Francis Xavier came to Goa and his body is kept at the Basilica of Bom Jesus which is very close to our venue.

The theme chosen for the next three years is '*Young students for youthful life*'. We have chosen the following as the thrusts for the council: Self Identity, Safe school, New Society.

**Theme:** Youth is the time of life when one is young, and often means the time between childhood and adulthood (maturity). It is also defined as "the appearance, freshness, vigor, spirit, etc., characteristic of one who is young". When we are young we want to grow up fast and when we are grown up we feel bad because we get busy with the life and career and forget to live our 'youthfulness'. The burden that we carry at times, be it our studies, tuition, coaching, social media etc has become a big block in experiencing the real youthfulness. Student life is the best life. There is a lot to experience at this age. We meet new friends, we learn new things, we play, fight, cry, bully. All this we do without any guide. We are full of life, full of vigour and enthusiasm.

As we grow, we forget this beautiful past. Today with modern gadgets and media we find ourselves secluded and slowly get into depression. When we should be bubbling with new spirit, joy and happiness, we are worried about many things.

We have chosen this theme to help our students and animators reflect further and make plans accordingly. We need to create opportunities and organise events/programmes accordingly to train our students to live their youthfulness.

Today there is an urgent need to help our students. During the council our student leaders along with some animators will make an action plan and we hope that all the regions will help their students in implementing this.

YCS/YSM India provides a perfect platform to do this. This council where we are going to reflect on this will definitely help us to become youthful. Let us all pray for the success of this 18<sup>th</sup> National Council and Study Session.

God bless you

Fr. Chetan Machado  
National Chaplain

## President's Message

### A New Journey

Another Triennial year has passed, and we have been gifted 3 more new years of taking a new direction in building a new society. The theme of this council is 'YOUNG STUDENTS FOR A YOUTHFUL LIFE' with the thrusts being Self-Identity, Safe School, and New Society. Keeping in mind the present social scenario, with much deliberations the NT EXCO finalized this particular theme. My dear friends, you have been given a wonderful opportunity to practically learn these ideas during the days of the council. The fact that you all are here as participants are proof how you all have been the chosen responsible leaders of your own dioceses or regions. Along with being a leader comes the responsibilities too. The responsibilities that have been delegated on y' all to return back with new principles and objectives to help implement your learnings. It is important for us to understand how essential the study sessions are for our personal growth and for the growth of our society.



Along with carrying forward the theme and thrusts, you have been offered a platform to take very important decisions pertaining to our movement. I hope and expect each of you all to try and contribute whatever possible for the betterment of our student movement not just at the national but at the grassroot level as well. Involve yourself in the discussions and clear queries only so that you could take back the benefit of the programme.

Wishing you all with God's choicest blessings and his presence with each one of you during all the days of the council and his strength to help build a new society filled with love and righteousness. My only request to you all is to keep looking out for inspirations. Inspirations residing not only in talks but also in your fellow mates, the actions around and most importantly the change that is going to occur within you.

A happy and a fruitful stay here in Goa.

Regards

Jesvita Princy Quadras  
National Convenor

## Code of conduct

01. Register your name as soon as you reach St. Joseph Vaz Centre, Goa and get your KIT for the programme.
02. Maintain self discipline in dress, talk, relationship, dealings, food and lodging.
03. Always remember to carry your identity card. Make friends with all the delegates. ID card is meant for identity and not show.
04. Keep your surroundings clean as this is your home for the next 7 days.
05. Carry your KIT along for all the sessions. Before entering the session hall all must read through the contents of the book together with RYD and Animators.
06. No cell phone allowed during the sessions, activities, visits.
07. Follow the instructions of the volunteers and cooperate in maintaining discipline.
08. Attend all the sessions; do not skip any spiritual, cultural and council activity. Make the best of the available opportunity.
09. While the sessions go on no one shall sit back in your room. No one is permitted to go to the rooms during the sessions without permission
10. In case of any allergy, ailment or any complaints kindly, approach the First Aid counter immediately. Prompt medical assistance will be made available.
11. No boy/s is/ are allowed anywhere in the girls' accommodation site under any circumstances without the prior permission of the accommodation convener.
12. No girl/s is /are allowed anywhere in the boys' accommodation site under any circumstances without the prior permission of the accommodation convener.
13. Kindly adhere to the rules and regulations of the centre in which you are accommodated and do not cause any inconvenience to anyone what so ever.
14. Avoid walking around all by yourself; try your best to be in a group.
15. Keep strict silence in the night during rest.

16. Do not leave the premises without informing the organisers.
17. Take care of your belongings. In case you possess any valuables make sure you are not careless with regard to its security. Organizers will not take responsibility if you lose any of your valuables. You may deposit any valuables with your RYDs and claim it when you need.
18. Do not invite your friends or acquaintances to meet you during the council.
19. Smoking, intake of alcohol or any other drugs or narcotics are strictly prohibited. If any one found in possession of such materials will be reprimanded.
20. If delegates are found misbehaving or not adhering to the rules and regulations, the matter will be immediately reported to the concerned Regional and Diocesan Youth Directors/bishops.
21. If you wish to make a complaint, give your suggestions and observations. Kindly do it in the 'May I Help You' counter.
22. In case you find any unclaimed articles, please hand it over to the enquiry counter (Control Room)
23. Members of Local Organizing Committee (LOC) are there for your Help. Kindly co-operate with the LOC members.
24. Be on time for every activity, not to waste others time.
25. Don't waste food. Take as much as you want. Use water sparingly.



*We wish you a very happy and memorable  
XVIII National Council in Goa.*

**Registration:** *The Registration fee is Rs. 500/- and T.A will be borne by the delegate/region/diocese. Filled registration form with two PP size photos have to be submitted before registration. The arrival & departure time need to be made known to the organisers to make necessary arrangements for your travel.*

## Schedule

### XVIII National Council 2019 17th to 24th May 2019 at St. Joseph Vaz Centre, Goa

#### Day 1 - 17th May 2019 – WELCOME and INAUGURATION

TIME	Program	Incharge
10.00 am	Arrival, Registration	LOC/NEXCO
12.30 pm	Lunch	LOC
02.00 pm	Region-wise orientation, Expectations, Committee meetings	NEXCO
03.00 pm	Putting up exhibition of the region	REGIONS
05.00 pm	Inaugural Mass: Rev Fr. Jose Remedios Fernandes	LOC/NEXCO
06.30 pm	Inaugural programme – Key note address, Capt. Viriato Fernandes (Naval Officer) Welcome performance	LOC
07.45 pm	Inauguration of Exhibition	Chief Guest
08.00 pm	Dinner, Preparation for the next day, NEXCO Meeting	

#### Day 2: 18th May 2019 – KNOWING EACH OTHER/ EXPOSURE - SEE

TIME	Program	Incharge
7.00 am	Mass, Morning prayer, Breakfast	Goa/Karnataka
9.00 am	Introduction of delegates – Knowing each other; Group building/dynamics of the council (rationale)	NEXCO
10.00 am	Orientation to the Council	Mr. Leo
10:30 am	Tea Break	
11.00 am	Present reality of the movement	Chaplain
12:00 noon	Presentation of the new NEXCOs	RYDs
01.00 pm	Lunch	LOC
02.30 pm	SEE - Preparation for exposure visit –	Fr. Savio
	Based on the theme	Fr. Savio

03:00 pm	Exposure - Visit to .... (in different groups/all groups)	LOC
06.00 pm	Back from exposure and Preparation of Reporting and sharing in groups	Groups
07:30 pm	Evening prayer	Goa/Karnataka
08.00 pm	Supper	
08.30 pm	Presentation of exposure visit through skits, charts or variety;	Mr. Leo
09.00 pm	Cultural Performance	UP/MP
	Evaluation, Committee meetings, to bed	

**Day 3 : 19th May 2019– YOUNG STUDENTS FOR  
YOUTHFUL LIFE – (Study Sessions)**

07.00 am	Mass, breakfast	N. East
09.00 am	<i>Awarenes (See)- Session I What is youthful life? How to live youthful life? What are the challenges? What can be done by the YCS/YSMers to promote this?</i>	Mr. Manoj Mathew
10.00 am	Group sharing	Moderator
11.00 am	Tea break	
11.30am	Presentation of the sharing-Suggesting actions for the National Plan of action	Moderator
12.15 pm	Regionwise meeting with RYD to elaborate on the study session (Translation if required)	RYD's/ DYD's
01.00 pm	Lunch	
02:30 pm	<i>Awareness(See) - Session II Self identity. What is my identity? Believe in the faith - God, Origin of the movement, Spirituality (Action – reflection) and Methodology of the movement – See, Judge, Act - Reality of the society. God given identity</i>	

04.00pm	Tea break	
04.30pm	Group sharing	Moderator
05.15pm	Presentation of the sharing-Suggesting actions for the National Plan of action	Moderator
06:00 pm	Regionwise meeting with RYD to elaborate on the study session (Translation if required)	RYD
07.30 pm	Evening prayer	N. East
08:00 pm	Supper	
09:00 pm	Regionwise cultural programme	Karnataka

Day 4: 20th May 2019 – YOUNG STUDENTS FOR VALUES  
– (Study Sessions)

07:00 am	Mass/Prayer/Breakfast	North/Telugu
09:00 am	Awareness (See) - Session III – <i>What are the values? How do I practice them when there is no ethics? How can I make a difference? What can be done by (students) YCS/YSMers to change the society?</i>	Fr. Ramiro Luis
10.00 am	Group sharing	
11.00 am	Tea break	
11.30am	Presentation of the sharing-Suggesting actions for the National Plan of action	Moderator
12.15 pm	Regionwise meeting with RYD to elaborate on the study session (Translation if required)	
01.00 pm	Lunch	
02.00 pm	Group dynamics/animation	NEXCO
02:30 pm	Awareness (See) - Session IV- <i>Building a positive career. What is a positive career? What do I want to become? (Doctor-Engineer-Police-Army) How can I bring change through my career?</i>	Mr. James Kurian
04.00 pm	Tea break	
04.30 pm	Volunteerism	

05.15 pm	JUDGE : Presentation of the sharing-Suggesting actions for the National Plan of action	Moderator
06:00 pm	Regionwise meeting with RYD to elaborate on the study session (Translation if required)	RYD/DYD
07.30 pm	Evening prayer	North/Telugu
08:00 pm	Supper	
09:00 pm	Regionwise cultural programme	N. East & WB

#### Day 5 : 21st May 2019- Safe Schools - JUDGE – Study Sessions

7.00 am	Mass/prayer, Fr. Stephen Alathara, Deputy Sec. Gen. CCBI	TN/W.Bengal
08:45 am	Animation	NEXCO
09:00 am	Session V – <i>IYCS campaign of Safe School? What do we want? How we want our schools to be?</i>	
10.00 am	Group Sharing	
11.00 am	Tea break	
11.30am	Presentation of the sharing-Suggesting actions for the National Plan of action	Moderator
12.15 pm	JUDGE :Plan of Action <i>Key points – (Explain the details given in the IYCS plan of action on safe school and other key points)</i>	Mr. Sylvester James
01.00 pm	Lunch	
02:00 pm	Animation	
02:30 pm	ACT – <i>Finalizing the National Plan of action based on the National theme and International Plan of Action</i> Group work –Building New Society - thrust	Fr. Anil D’Sa/ Mr. James Sylvester
04.30 pm	Tea Break	
05.00 pm	GroupWise Presentation of Plan of action	Moderator

06.00 pm	Region wise meeting with RYD to elaborate on the Plan of action (Translation if required)	RYD/DYD
07.00 pm	Region wise preparation of agenda for the National Council	Groups
07.30 pm	Evening Prayer	TN/W.Bengal
08.00 pm	Supper	
09.00 pm	Recreation - Region wise cultural Programme	North & MG
10.00 pm	Evaluation, to bed	
	Meetings: Steering committee, NTA/ EXCO and LOC	

#### Day 6: 22nd May 2019--ACT - NATIONAL COUNCIL

07.00 am	Mass/Prayer, Most Rev. Ignatius D'Souza	Od/Bihar/UP
08:45 am	Animation	NEXCO
09.00 am	National Council	Drafting Committee
09.00 am	Roll Call –	Secretary
09.15 am	Welcome and Explanation of the purpose of the council	President
09.25 am	Introduction to Process, Explain Voting rights, establish quorum	President
09.30 am	Vote on Rule of Procedure	Secretary
09.40 am	Election of Presidium (if necessary)	Presidium
09.50 am	Presentation and Vote on Provisional Agenda	Secretary
10.15 am	Tea break	Odisha/UP
10.30 am	Regional Movement Reports	(NEXCO/ RYD)

12.00 noon	YCS/YSM National Movement report, National office report & Evaluation report	Secretary/ Chaplain
01.00pm	Lunch	
02.30 pm	National Team report	President
03.00pm	Presentation of Triennial Financial statement	Chaplain
03.30 pm	Presentation and approval of Budget for three years	Chaplain
04.00 pm	Tea Break	
04.30 pm	Amendments to YCS/YSM constitution	
05.30 pm	Any other matter	
07:00 pm	Evening prayer (Taize)	Od/Bihar/UP
08:00pm	Supper	
09:00 pm	Regionwise cultural Programme	Telugu & T.N.
(Present and future NEXCO meeting), Committee meetings		

#### Day 7: 23rd May 2019- ACT -NATIONAL COUNCIL

07.00 am	Prayer, Breakfast	M.P.
09.00 am	Presentation of the draft of Council statement	NEXCO
09:30 am	Presentation of Plan of action for the forthcoming 3 years-	Present Nexco's
10.00 am	Group Sharing on Council Statement and Plan of Action	Present Nexco's
10.30 am	Tea Break	
11.00 am	Group sharing continues	
11.00 am	Election of new NT as per rule among NEXCOs guided by present NT	
12.00 noon	Presentation and passing of Council Statement and National Plan of Action (National President/ National Chaplain) and Presentation of new National Team by National Chaplain	

01.00 pm	Lunch	
02.00 pm	Evaluation of the Council – Groupwise/ Regionwise/ Individual	Mr. Kamal
03.30 pm	Preparation for Mass	LOC
04.30 pm:	Concluding Mass (Pray over new NEXCO and NT)	Madhya Pradesh
06.00 pm	Concluding Programme Handing over of NT, LOC night	LOC
08:00 pm	Dinner	
09:00 pm	Campfire	NEXCO
	NEXCO Evaluation	

#### Day 8: 24th May 2019– GO FORTH – MISSION

07:00 am	Mass/Breakfast	NEXCO
08.30 am	NEXCO/NT Meeting with the National Chaplain	Fr. Chetan
10.00 am:	Departure	



**“Can you see this vision? An ideal of life which must reveal the inviolable dignity of each young worker. The body of a young worker being a temple of the living God”.**

*- Joseph Cardinal Cardijn*

## The Organizing Committees

The Chairman - Most Rev. Soosai Nazarene

*(Chairman bishop, CCBI Youth Commission)*

The Host Region - Most Rev. Fillipe Neri Ferrao

*(Archbishop of Goa-Daman)*

Most Rev. Ignatius D'Souza , bishop of Bareilly *(member bishop, CCBI Youth Commission )*

*Fr. Chetan Machado - National Chaplain*

*Sr. Lidwin Fernandes - National Coordinator - YCS/YSM India*

*Fr. Anil D'Sa - National Coordinator - Youth Commission*

### **A. Local Organizing Committee**

1. Fr. Savio D'Souza – Diocesan Chaplain
2. Russel D'Cruz – LOC
3. Edsel Rodrigues – LOC
4. Aaron Gonsalves – LOC
5. Welkin Olivera – LOC
6. Steefni Cruz – LOC
7. Zamila Pacheco – LOC
8. Stefny Cardozo – LOC
9. Meena Vaz – LOC
10. Delia Cardozo – LOC
11. Kevia Fernandes – LOC
12. Dominic Soares – LOC
13. Sr. Wendy Sequeira – LOC
14. Armando Gomes – LOC
15. Sr. Jolly – LOC
16. Alisha Fernandes – LOC

### **B. NTA/ NEXCO**

1. Jesvita Quadras, National President, Karnataka Region
2. Rachel Patricia, National Secretary, Tamilnadu Region
3. Jeris Joseph, National Treasurer, Agra Region
4. Akansha, WB Region

5. Clacious Rodrigues, Karnataka Region
6. Rikam, Justine & Wajri, NE Region
7. Abhinisha, Tamilnadu Region
8. Sanjith, Odisha Region
12. Ravi & Roshni, MP Region
14. Vanshika Paul – Northern Region
15. Fr. Vijay Baretto – RYD, Northern
16. Fr. Martin Joseph – RYD, Tamilnadu
17. Fr. Lourdu – RYD, Karnataka
18. Fr. Praveen Sagili – RYD, Andhra Pradesh
21. Fr. Savio D’Souza – RYD, Goa
23. Fr. Richard Arul – DYD, Uttar Pradesh
24. Fr. Michael – RYD, West Bengal
25. Fr. Alexander – RYD, Madhya Pradesh
26. Sr. Bernadeth – RYD, North East

#### **Resource Persons:**

1. Mr. Fernandes – Keynote Address
1. Mr. Sylvester James – International plan of Action
2. Mr. Leo Joseph – Orientation to the Council
3. Mr. Manoj Mathew – Youthful life
4. Fr. Savio D’Souza – Exposure guide
5. Fr. Ramiro Luis – Input on Values
6. Mr. Jamrs Kurian – Input on positive career
7. Ms. Dylan Fernandes – Input on Identity
8. Ms. Jesvita Quadras – The Chairperson of NC
9. Fr. Edwin D’Souza – Moderator

The venue in charge – Fr. Savio D’Souza

#### **COMMITTEES FROM NTA-EXCO:**

1. Photo and Video - LOC/Goa Region
2. First Aid - Justine, Sr. Mercian
3. Food - LOC/NEXCOS/ Fr.Vijay
4. Cultural and Animation - Ravi, Roshni, Fr. Alex

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| 5. Liturgy                               | - Roshni, Sr. Mercian             |
| 6. Finance                               | - Jeris, Fr. Chetan, Nat.Office   |
| 7. Registration                          | - Sr. Lidwin, Jeris               |
| 8. Reception &Arrangement                | - Jeris, DEXCO'S Goa Region       |
| 9. Logistics & Accomodation              | - Clacious, Goa excos             |
| 10. Transportation                       | - Xavier, LOC- Goa                |
| 11. Documentation &<br>Council Statement | - Rachel, & Fr. Martin            |
| 12. Evaluation                           | - NT /EXCO/ National Office       |
| 13. Programme Committee                  | - Jesvita, Fr. Chetan, Fr. Savio, |
| 14. Media and Souvenir                   | - Fr. Anil & Nat.Office           |
| 15. Fund Raising                         | - National Office, Local Mov.     |
| 16. Stage and Sound                      | - Xavier & Ravi                   |

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**If we teach today's  
students as we taught  
yesterday's, we rob them  
of tomorrow.**

JOHN DEWEY

**Introduction:**

The history of Goa or Gomantak has been woven into seamless mixture of various myths and stories that takes us back into time of Mahabharata. For some the origin of Goa lies when Parshurama; sixth incarnation of Vishnu ordered the sea god Varuna to recede the sea till the point his axe struck after his flung it. Lord Varuna then gave up this piece of land till the banks of River Mandovi and River Zuari to Parshurama and Aryan clan accompanying him. This piece of land came to be known as Konkan of which Goa is a southernmost part of. Another mystical legend is a collection from Krishna's stories according to which Lord Krishna became fond of the coastal area of Konkan. He then named the area Govapuri (gov: cows) after the cows belonging to the locals.

**The settlements of the Saraswat Brahmins:**

The Saraswat Brahmins firmly believe that they were the first ones to settle on the banks of Konkan coast. The Brahmins differ from other sub-sects of Brahmins in the fact that they are the only ones who devour meat and fish, probably because of the proximity of their settlements to the coastal regions. They have their own legend behind the name of their clan and are called so because they originally resided on the banks of River Saraswati which eventually dried up, after which migrated to other places. Ninety six families of these known as Gaud Saraswat shifted their base to the banks of the Konkan coast around 1000 B.C. The settlements so formed by these Brahmins came to be known Gomantak.

**Rule of Maurya Empire:**

From 3rd century B.C Emperor Ashoka ruled Gomantak for some time as a part of his Maurya dynasty. After him many empires subsequently tried to form their

base permanently in Gomantak, prominent among which included Satavahana's, Chalukya's, Silhara's and Kadamba's in the 11th century. The arrival of the Kadamba dynasty is considered thought to be the first phase of the Golden Age of Goa. The death of their king in 1198 marked the end of their dynasty and finally the arrival of the Muslims.

### **Muslim Rule:**

The arrival of the Muslim Bahamani's brought in mayhem as they destroyed temples, looted wealth and murdered priests. Due to their rule, today no remains have been left behind belonging to the Hindu Rule, except for the Mahadev mandir at Tambdi Surla. Their rule was breached in between when the Vijayanagar Empire arrived in 14-15th century A.D. But they returned back with more power in 1470 as the Muslim Bahamani Kingdom of the Deccan. When the dynasty split up into five parts, Goa was attached to Sultan Yusuf Adil Shah Khan Bijapur territory.

### **Portuguese Rule:**

The Portuguese first arrived in Goa in 1498 under the able guidance of explorer Vasco da Gama when he first landed in Calicut on the eastern western shores of India. They were very much happy with the discovery and establishment of Cape of Good Hope which turned out to be a very profitable trading route for them. A permanent trading post became very much necessary but their inability to do along the Malabar Coast pushed their efforts northwards Goa.

Goa finally came under Portuguese rule when Alfonso de Albuquerque attacked it in 1510, which was then under the rule of Adil Shah of Bijapur. His efforts became futile when Adil Shah ousted him from the city with full retaliation. But after the Shah's death, the Portuguese had no enemy left in any form as Adil Shah's son was still young and



Rasul Khan; General of Adil Shah could not tighten the ropes of control over Goa. On November 25th 1510, Alfonso de Albuquerque victoriously entered Goa, initiating an uninterrupted and extensive rule for 450 years.

Albuquerque massacred all the Muslims in the city as revenge against Adil Shah, but left alone the Hindus. In fact he appointed Timoja as the thanedar of Goa.

### **Goa's Golden Age:**

Goa reached its peak culturally and economically by the end of 16th century when it was fondly referred as 'Lisbon of the East'. Christianity arrived in Goa with St. Francis Xavier and the Jesuits. Such was the Saints impact on the people's mind that he still is remembered by the Goan's as the city's patron saint.

### **Goa Market Place in 1583**

In Goa, Albuquerque started the first Portuguese mint in the East, after complaints from merchants and Timoja about the scarcity of currency. He used it as an opportunity to announce the territorial conquest by the design of the new coins. The new coin, based on the existing local coins, bore a cross on one side and the design of an armillary sphere (or esfera), King Manuel's badge, on the reverse. Gold, silver and bronze coins were issued: gold cruzados or manueis, esperas and alf-esperas, and leais. More mints were built in Malacca in 1511.

Albuquerque and his successors left the customs and constitutions of the thirty village communities on the island almost untouched, abolishing only the rite of sati, in which widows were burned on their husband's funeral pyre. A register of these customs (Foral de usos e costumes) was published in 1526; it is among the most valuable historical documents pertaining to Goan customs.

Goa was granted the same civic privileges as Lisbon. Its senate or municipal chamber maintained direct communications with the king and paid a special representative to attend to its interests at court. In 1563 the governor proposed to make Goa the seat of a parliament representing all parts of the Portuguese east, but this was rejected by the King.

The Portuguese set up a base in Goa to consolidate their control of the lucrative spice trade. Goods from all parts of the East were displayed in its bazaar, and separate streets were designated for the sale of different classes of goods: Bahrain pearls and coral, Chinese porcelain and silk, Portuguese velvet and piece-goods, and drugs and spices from the Malay Archipelago.



In 1542, St. Francis Xavier mentions the architectural splendour of the city. It reached the height of its prosperity between 1575 and 1625. Travellers marvelled at Goa Dourada, or Golden Goa. A Portuguese proverb said, “He who has seen Goa need not see Lisbon.”

In the main street, African and Indian slaves were sold by auction. The houses of the rich were surrounded by gardens and palm groves; they were built of stone and painted red or white. Instead of glass, their balconied windows had thin polished oyster-shells set in lattice-work. The social life of Goa’s rulers befitted the capitol of the viceregal court, the army and navy, and the church; luxury and ostentation became a byword before the end of the 16th century.

Almost all manual labour was performed by slaves. The common soldiers assumed high-sounding titles, and even the poor noblemen who congregated in boarding-houses subscribed for a few silken cloaks, a silken umbrella and a common man-servant, so that each could take his turn to promenade the streets, fashionably attired and with a proper escort.

Around 1583, missionary activity in Cuncolim led to conflicts, culminating in the Cuncolim Revolt in which natives killed all the missionaries. The Portuguese authorities called the sixteen chieftains of each ward or vado of the Cuncolim village to the Assolna Fort, ostensibly to form a peace pact with the villagers. At the fort the Portuguese killed the chieftains, except for two who jumped from the fort into the Arabian Sea and presumably swam to Karwar. The villagers lost their traditional leaders and the Portuguese began confiscating the land of the locals. At the same time, they initiated the Goa Inquisition.

In 1556 the printing press was first introduced to India and Asia at Saint Paul’s College in Goa; through the spread of the printing press, Goa led the acceleration of the availability of the knowledge and customs of Europe. After getting established in Goa, the Jesuits introduced the printing press technology for the first time in history into Macau-China in 1588 and into Japan in 1590. The Jesuits founded the university of Santo Tomas in the Philippines, which is the oldest existing university in Asia; in the same period, Goa Medical College was established as the first European medical college in Asia.



The Crown in Lisbon undertook to finance missionary activity; missionaries and priests converted large numbers of people in all spheres of society, especially in Goa. St Francis Xavier in Goa, pioneered the establishment of a seminary, called Saint Paul's College. It was the first Jesuit headquarters in Asia.

St Francis founded the College to train Jesuit missionaries. He went to the Far East, traveling towards China. Missionaries of the Jesuit Order spread out through India, going as far north as the court of the great Moghul Emperor Jallaluddin Akbar. Having heard about the Jesuits, he invited them to come and teach him and his children about Christianity.

From Goa, the Jesuit order was able to set up base almost anywhere in Asia for evangelistic missions, including the founding of Roman Catholic colleges, universities and faculties of education. Jesuits are known for their work in education, intellectual research, and cultural pursuits, and for their missionary efforts. Jesuits also give retreats, minister in hospitals and parishes, and promote social justice and ecumenical dialogue. Saint Paul's College Goa was a base for their evangelisation of Macau, and then for their important missionary campaigns into China and Japan. Macau eventually superseded St Paul's College, Goa. They built St Paul College in 1594 (now the University of Macau), known in Latin as the college of Mater Dei. Because of state conflicts with the Jesuits, In 1762



the Marquês de Pombal expelled the order from Macau. The Macau university combined evangelisation with education.

In the year 1600 António de Andrade made the long voyage from Lisbon to Goa, where he pursued his higher studies at St. Paul's College and was ordained a Jesuit priest. He eventually became rector of the same college. He made a landmark missionary expedition from Goa, across the length of India and into Tibet. He overcame incredible hardships in the journey as the first European to cross the Himalaya mountains into Tibet. There he founded churches and a mission in 1625. The corpse of the co-founder of the Society of Jesus, Francis Xavier, whose example many Goan missionaries tried to emulate by engaging in evangelizing work in Asia, was shipped to Goa on 11 December 1553. Goa has

also produced its own saints: the martyrs of Cuncolim; St. Joseph Vaz, whose missionary exploits in Sri Lanka are remembered with gratitude in that country; and the Venerable Agnelo de Souza.

The 16th-century monument, the Cathedral or Sé, was constructed during Portugal's Golden Age, and is the largest church in Asia, as well as larger than any church in Portugal. The church is 250 ft in length and 181 ft in breadth. The frontispiece stands 115 ft high. The Cathedral is dedicated to St. Catherine of Alexandria and is also known as St. Catherine's Cathedral. It was on her feast day in 1510 that Afonso de Albuquerque defeated the Muslim army and took possession of the city of Goa.

### **Decline of Goa's Golden Age:**

As the Dutch ships touched the coastal waters of India, Goa's Golden Age started witnessing a reversal role. Military infringement by the Dutch and their increasing control over the spice trade could not be dealt



with by the Portuguese resulting in several losses. The Marathas took advantage of the situation which ended in the Bicholim war in 1641. But it didn't last long with a peace treaty signed between the two warring parties.

Reverting attacks by the Marathas and Mughals added to the woes of Goan population with final peace treaty signed with the Marathas in 1759. Old Goa lost its charm and the population fell sharply after the viceroy shifted his base to 'Nova Gova' (now Panaji). In 1757 due to the efforts of prime minister of Portugal Marquês de Pombal, King Joseph I of Portugal granted citizenship rights and representation in parliament to all Goa citizens. The collective enclaves of Daman, Diu, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Goa came to be known as 'Estado da Índia Portuguesa'.

### **Goa's Independence:**

After India achieved independence from the British on 15th August 1947, it suggested to Portugal to give up its holdings in Goa and in other parts in India. By then even the French had given up their territories; namely Pondicherry to India without much resistance. But Portugal refused to do so and instead modified its constitution to accommodate Goa as a Portuguese province.

In 1954, Indians tried to revolt by trying to access small land-locked lands in Dadra and Nagar Haveli. But they were attacked by the Portuguese who had

lodged a complaint in the International Court of Justice regarding this matter. In 1960, the judgement given announced that the Portuguese had full control over the enclaves but even India had the right to refuse entry to the Portuguese in the Goan enclaves.



Several attempts were made by the Satyagrahis to rebel against the Portuguese rule. But each time they were compelled to run away with casualties increasing day by day.

On December 19, 1961 Indian military crossed Goan borders and attacked the Portuguese under the code name 'Operation Vijay'. For nearly 36 hours there were continuous air, navy and army strikes which resulted in complete surrender by the Portuguese. The United Nations, United States, and the United Kingdom criticized the attack, but Russia was pro for it.

Goa was then declared as a federally administered territory as wanted by its citizens. It achieved proper statehood in 1987. Now every year, Goans celebrate December 19 as "Liberation Day" which is a state holiday.

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#### **MUST SEE PLACES IN GOA**

1. Basilica of Bom Jesus
2. Se Cathedral
3. Aguada Fort
4. Vagator beach
5. Colva beach
6. Mangeshi Temple
7. River Cruise (Mandovi river)
8. Dudhsagar waterfalls (rainy season)
9. Tower of St. Augustine
10. Banbolim Beach

#### **SHOPPING/street markets**

1. Flea market at Anjuna Beach
2. Night market at Arpora
3. Tibetan Market on Baga Road
4. Mapusa Fish Market
5. Panjim Market
6. Mackie's Night Bazaar
7. Palolem Market
8. Colva Beach Market
9. Connaught Place
10. MMC Market



## **ORIENTATION**

**Mr. Leo Joseph**

### **Orientation to the Council**

#### **Introduction:**

We are at the threshold of the XVIII National Council 2019 in Goa, India. Take note of the things given below so that you can participate well in it. Hope you have gone through the Preparatory document which was sent to you and it should have helped you come prepared with the knowledge of what's happening in the council.

#### **What is National Council:**

The National Council is the highest legislative body of the movement- Apex Body of the Movement. It consists of the selected student representatives from the dioceses and selected animators from each region along with the NTA/EXCO.

It is held once in every three years having a National theme, input sessions, Exposure, Regional and National Reports and Evaluation findings help the delegates to analyze, study, reflect and to plan so as to give direction to the whole Movement.

#### **RUNNING OF THE COUNCIL:**

The NTA/EXCO with the help of the L.O.C will run the council. So every person shall feel fully responsible for the council. We need to be very responsible with regard to punctuality, participation, relationship etc. We under the pretext of the movement should not shirk our responsibility.

Formation Session and XVIII National Council will be held from 17th to 24th May 2019 at St. Joseph Vaz Centre, Goa Region. The Study Theme of the Council is “Young students for youthful life” and the thrusts are Self Identity, Safe School, New Society.

Around 100 delegates from 13 regions across the country will be participating in the council. An evaluation of the Movement has been already done as a preparation for the Council.

## **A. THE OBJECTIVES OF NATIONAL COUNCIL**

The objectives of the National council are as follows:

- To review and evaluate the action plan of the previous three years.
- To evaluate the movement reality.
- To respond with concrete plans to the issues affecting the society.
- To enlighten and empower the students to face the society.
- Time of deeper reflection, evaluation and planning.
- To challenge and to move towards realization of our dreams.
- To focus more on the History and the Spirituality of the Movement.
- To elect and approve the new National Executive Committee members. (NEXCO/NT)
- To make amendments to the constitution and internal rules.
- To make decisions on the basic policies and the orientation of the movement.
- To select a particular issue related to the life of the students for study.
- To make action plan at cell/unit/diocese/region/ national level for the next 3 years.

## **B. STUDY SESSION**

Exposure on the National Theme

Input session on the theme and movement

Reports - Guide lines for reports

Spirituality and Theological Reflection

## **C. JOURNEY TOWARDS THE XVIII NATIONAL COUNCIL 2019**

In 1970 the First National Council was held in Pune where the student delegates evaluated the Movement. YCS had a deep impact on the students of other religions who, right from the beginning, had shown a keen interest in the movement. Based on the impact, National Councils were held every three years. The list of the past 17 National Councils is given in this handbook.



## PRESENT DAY REALITY

### Fr. Chetan Machado

**A brief history:** YCS roots were found in India in 1936. In 1961 our first contact with YCS was with the visit of a YCS leader from Germany and an extension worker from Sri Lanka. During 1960-1962 YCS units were formed in Chennai and Bangalore through the help of Miss Betty King, a YCW extension worker from Australia. Some student groups were attempting to build up their objectives and Sr. Jeanne Devos ICM, inspired the student groups of Madras (Chennai) and Bangalore to communicate with each other in 1966. The first study session was held at Madras on 16 th Jan 1966. In 1968 some guidelines for the movement were outlined by students in Madras and presented to CBCI. On 6th December 1969 YCS was officially recognized by the CBCI as National Apostolic Student Movement (Catholic Action Movement) with the appointment of Sr. Jeanne Devos as the first National Chaplain.

**At present,** the Movement has over one lakh student members, only ten thousand are registered. Though we have 1500 Animators, there are only 500 dedicated animators and youth workers spread out in 13 regions. Though YCS/YSM is present in 62 dioceses (out of 132), it is active in just 42 dioceses. Some dioceses and schools where it was vibrant some years back is dead now. Some dioceses have revived and doing well. In India we have a few lakh Catholic students. They are like sheep without a shepherd. Many students want to attend the training programmes and organise cell meetings but they do not have dedicated animators. I have visited many regions and heard young students saying “we have not heard about YCS/YSM”. In the past we have visited many dioceses and convinced the authorities about the need of organising our student community. During the CCBI plenary meetings, YCS issues were discussed and it was presented at the EC meeting to bring YCS under CCBI.

From Sr. Jeane Devos in 1969 to Fr. Chetan in 2016 we have had nine National Chaplains and at present Fr. Chetan is the 10th National Chaplain. During this period ten national full time coordinators have served this movement.

Twelve people have worked at the Asian level and Ms. Agnes Joseph, Mr. John Siddham, Mr. Manoj Mathew served as IYCS International team members from India.

Mr. Manoj Mathew also served as member of Advisory Body to the IYCS at the International level.

Today we are proud to have our own Fr. Charles Menezes as the International Chaplain and Mr. Jimmy Pdang who was elected as the Asian Team member.

In the past fifty three years we have conducted 26 study sessions and 17 National Councils. These take place once in three years. In 2014 we conducted the first National Convention in Bhopal and in 2017 in Kolkata. In 2010 IYCS World Council was organized by YCS/YSM India in Delhi.

**What is the way forward:** In a fast growing society some times some sections are left behind or ignored. We feel proper formation of student community in India is being ignored by a major section of the Church and society. We need to strengthen this movement in all the dioceses and Regions of India to re-dedicate ourselves for the growth of the individual and society and for this we require a concerted efforts from hierarchy, parents and head of institutions. RYDs and DYDs need to play a major role as per their call in organizing YCS/YSM in all the dioceses and regions, Faith Formation and value based leadership in the Church and Society.

Our vision is to evolve a new society, where people live in harmony, where there is total freedom for the complete growth of the individual, where each and every person is respected in dignity hence valuing peace, love, truth, justice and equality. Hence “A just Society – A New World” is its aim.

- Fr. Chetan Machado  
National Chaplain

## EXPOSURE VISIT - SEE

Fr. Savio D'Souza

### Preparation for the exposure visit:

You will be visiting places in groups. There will be five to six groups. Once you reach the place try to interact with people. Observe everything. Notice how people live, behave, interact etc. Try to understand their life, reality. All our discussions on the theme are based on our observations during the exposure visit.

### Delegates Remember!

- Abide by rules of self discipline
- Be in your groups
- Wear t-shirt provided in your kit, badge, scarf and hat
- Note down in your diary a few observations
- Show respect to people whom you meet
- Learn the maximum from this visit
- Ask questions wherever possible
- Avoid questions which cause discomfort
- You may click a photo for documentation

### What is exposure?

Methodology of YCS/YSM is SEE-JUDGE-ACT. This methodology helps us to reflect on every aspect of life and its reality. Why there is poverty, why violence? why pollution? why garbage everywhere? why people behave in a particular way? What are the consequences of all these? We can ask number of questions. When we see these realities and later on reflect, we can definitely do something to change these.

We have chosen a theme for the next three years. Our reflection will be based on this theme and the thrusts:

**Theme:** Young students for youthful life

**Thrusts:** Self Identity, Safe School, New Society

Ask these questions to the people you meet - These should be based on the theme. What do I believe? Do I believe in my creator? Am I living happily/joyfully? Is there youthfulness in me or I am already burdened with many worries? Do I believe in a just social order? Do I believe in human dignity? Do I believe in social order? Do I believe in peace? Do I believe in equality? Do I believe in valuing life as a gift of God? Do I know my identity as a child of God? Is there a safe environment around me?

When I begin to ask these questions and reflect on these issues I may find answers to these questions. When I see others living happily with limited resources, I may realise that I need to be happy with whatever I have.

Today with the invasion of media we are losing focus, we are losing sense of justice, responsibility etc. We are becoming slaves to these gadgets.

There is no respect for human beings. There is no life in us. We are dead because we live in a culture of violence, suicide, hatred etc.

Our vision is to enable personal growth of students of catholic faith and other faiths and help them take up responsibility in the church, in the student world and in society towards building a new society where there is justice, equality, freedom and love.

As students and as YCS/YSMers what can we do? During the next three years let us work out a plan and try to do a little in our own way and thus help to build God's Kingdom.

## Finalising National Plan of Action

Finalizing the National Plan of action based on the National theme and International Plan of Action

Group work - What, when, why, where, who and how –Setting up of Objectives, Key tasks and Measures of success

**-Fr. Anil D'Sa**



## SESSION I

*Session I - What is youthful life?*

*How to live youthful life? What are the challenges? What can be done by the YCS/YSMers to promote this?*

**- Mr. Manoj Mathew**

We will deepen our understanding of the realities of what it means to live a youthful life, challenges it unfolds and what we can do as students. We strive to build our consciousness through our experiences, incidents, real stories and case studies so that we are able to develop a holistic spirituality and to be champions of inner freedom.

During the group sharing, we will help one another to explore the details of these events/facts/situations to gain a greater understanding and to assess the causes and consequences of what has happened. This is the first part of our methodology-SEE(Awareness), inviting us to see the reality of what we are looking for in a youthful life:

1. What is happening?
2. Who are the people involved?
3. What is the situation doing to people? (Consequences)
4. Why is it happening? (Causes)

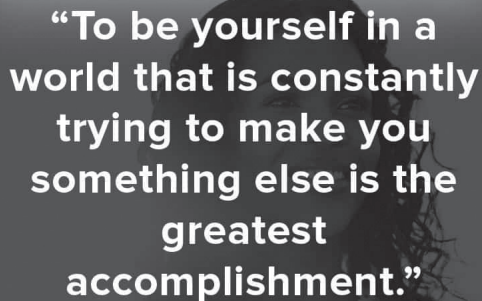
Inspiration:

***“God wants people to live with hope and joy - not bitterness - and to dream with him of a better world. God wants us to be able to dream like he does and, with him as we journey, to be quite attentive to reality - dreaming of a different world” -Pope Francis***

## SESSION II

*Session II - Self identity. What is my identity? Believe in the faith - God, Origin of the movement, Spirituality (Action – reflection) and Methodology of the movement – See, Judge, Act - Reality of the society. God given identity -*

Self-identity refers to the descriptive characteristics, qualities, and abilities that people use to define themselves. It does play a significant role in shaping our life. The mission of YCS/YSM becomes essential in line with the development of one's self-identity since it seeks the all-round development of the individual i.e. the Physical-Intellectual-emotional-Filial-Social and Spiritual dimensions of his/her personality. The spirituality of the movement gears the member towards achieving a value-based personality by working on the personal attitudes of their own and those of others. Thus, the YCS/YSMer can strive to bring about the values of the reign of God on earth while the review of life equips leaders with tools and skills necessary to analyse life situations and reflect on them in the light of the gospel. Finally, the action that flows from the Review of life promotes social justice and peace thereby building a morally upright society.



**“To be yourself in a  
world that is constantly  
trying to make you  
something else is the  
greatest  
accomplishment.”**

Ralph Waldo Emerson

## SESSION III

*Session III- What are the values? How do I practice them when there is no ethics? How can I make a difference? What can be done by (students) YCS/YSMers to change the society?*

Values are basic and fundamental beliefs that guide or motivate attitudes or actions. Values are very important in our life thus choosing of certain values determines the person what I would want to be and the manner in which I would want to treat people around me. As the saying goes, “Values aren’t taught but caught” and many people, especially youngsters look to model individuals whom they admire and would want to imitate along with their value system. Sadly, in today’s world there is a galore of wrong examples than the right ones and eventually less good role models to choose from. Even in our very own country the scene of morality is tinted with corruption, exploitation and many such wrongs. The tragic side to the existing scene is that it is being accepted as the new normal and no one feels the otherwise. It’s time that every individual needs to understand that whatever is wrong is wrong even if everyone is doing it while right is right even if no one is doing it. Here is where our values play a big role to make our life head in the right direction and the YCS/YSM movement can surely lead the way.


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**Education is what  
survives when what  
has been learned has  
been forgotten.**

BF SKINNER

## SESSION IV

*Building a positive career: What is a positive careers? What do I want to become? (Doctor-Engineer-Police-Army) How can I bring change through my career–*

Mahatma Gandhi once remarked, “Happiness doesn’t come from acquiring material possessions but rather from the work and dignity associated with it. Work challenges our creativity and brings fulfilment in our lives. Through my career I have to make sure that the talents that God has blessed me with are being made use of, the society at large is benefitting from by work and finally that I am taking care of myself and my family who rely on me as a bread winner. It is also very important for every person to realise that all types of jobs are respected equally, and that no occupation is considered superior. The dignity of labour encourages me to do the things I like to and not be in undue pressure from the family and society to please others. It is only through the right approach towards my own work that I can be a game-changer for the society at large.



ASK YOURSELF  
IF WHAT YOU’RE  
DOING TODAY  
IS GETTING  
YOU **CLOSER** TO  
WHERE YOU  
WANT TO BE  
*tomorrow.*

## International Plan of Action

**Mr. James Sylvester**

School safety and security issues are a pervasive global issue with concerns ranging from poisonous snakes, spiders and centipedes to gang violence, molestation and bullying, terrorism and devastating natural disasters. Hazards come in many forms and vary from country to country.

High profile acts of violence, particularly in schools, can confuse and frighten children and young people who may feel in danger or worry that their friends or loved-ones are at risk.

As students, the school is the place where we spend most of our time, where we learn and consider as our second home. It is in this place that we can encounter each other, growing as men and women, starting to be good citizens for our country.

The notion of inclusive and equitable quality education and lifelong learning opportunities for all which the SDG 4 seeks to achieve, for us goes, not just beyond the educational programmes, but also implies the right for students to study in a place where they feel physically and emotionally safe.

A quality education can be found within the school where the students can really feel at home and where everyone's diversity is welcomed and made unique. How can students themselves become protagonist of a truly safe learning environment?

Some ideal for the commemoration of the 3rd IYCS World include;

- Post pictures of Schools where you consider unsafe for learning purpose and tag your government;
- Make a video with photos from different unsafe schools in country or city and make a strong call for action;
- Initiate action to promote volunteerism in rebuilding a broken down school building in your city;
- Make a press release to raise awareness about the importance of school safety;
- Make a flash mob;



## THE YCS/YSM PRAYER

Heavenly Father, in your entire wisdom and love, you created us and chose us to be the members of YCS/YSM. You have blessed us Indians with multiple languages, religions and cultures. Give us the wisdom to appreciate this diversity. Through the Review of life, YCS teaches us to avoid selfishness, discrimination, hate and urges us to live in a “**we spirit**” which builds cooperation, collaboration and solidarity. Grant us the strength to work for true justice and freedom and to be of service to others, thus building a “better society” where all people live with dignity befitting your children. Amen



## YCS/YSM CREED

All human beings have been created in the image and likeness of God, equal in dignity. When this dignity is trampled upon, it is an offence to the creator. All people are responsible in enhancing and protecting the dignity.

YCS/YSM as a movement of the students, by the students and for the students, is a space to exercise this mission. In this process, they are accompanied by chaplains and animators. YCS/YSM is an action oriented movement, liberative in nature and aims to remove structures and systems that do not respect human dignity. Motivated by our prophetic spirituality and with the Review of life (See, Judge and Act/ Awareness, Reflection and Action) as our way of life, students are transformed and empowered to go beyond self in solidarity with the struggles of the weak and marginalized. Through inter personal relationship with the whole of humanity and with the love at the heart of every action, the YCS/YSM enables human persons to become a family, a community after the heart of the creator whose compassion, care and justice are its pulse. An alternative community is within our reach when we put our faith in human goodness, which is inspired by God.

# HISTORY

	<b>Started</b>	<b>Estd</b>	<b>Recg</b>
<b>International</b>	<b>1929</b>	<b>1946</b>	<b>1954</b>
<b>India</b>	<b>1936</b>	<b>1966</b>	<b>1969</b>

YCS has its roots in YCW which was founded by Cardinal Joseph Cardijn in 1920s in Belgium after the First World War. Being inspired by the methodology of YCW, - See, Judge and Act, some student groups participating in the Church milieu started to share the pastoral, social and personal experiences in the student milieu, with clear aims, following the same theological and ecclesiological views led them to pastoral validity of the YCS approach.

With this vast experience many student representatives from Europe, America and Canada came together in Fribourg, Switzerland from 1-8 September 1946 to define the common SPIRIT and outline the orientation of YCS. The delegates reflected on the Catholic identity of the movement and accepted YCS as a Catholic Action Movement of lay people, in Spirit and Life, having responsibility in their lives with an apostolate to work for the transformation of individual and society with subordinated attitude to the hierarchy because of its pastoral nature.

The goal is Glory of God, - students' salvation and sanctification of the milieu through student service, by not duplicating actions but by creating what is lacking to build a true student community. YCS believes in student apostolate in all spheres of life to reach the whole Christian humanism with Team as a base called CELL.

Thus in 1946 the International YCS Center of Documentation and Information (ICDI) was created at Paris for the service of all YCS groups existing throughout the world. International Commission was formed in 1947 with a publication of an International Newspaper. It continued to work to make it as an organized movement. In 1954 YCS celebrated its first World Council at Brussels and here the International Young Catholic

Students was constituted and the Statutes and Common Bases were approved. Its priorities were – to develop apostolic action in the entire student milieu; to be led by students themselves; to exist at the national level or at the level of an ethnic group of the country; and to have been for at least one year Collaborator Movement of IYCS

**Cardinal Joseph Cardijn** inspired this movement.



- Born in Belgium on 13 Nov.1882
- His father had a small coal merchant's business. As a small boy he was helping his father. His hobbies were talking to beggars, cobblers, sailors, bakers etc in the village square. He used to help them in their work. His mother used to give him money saying "Have money – you will meet beggars- give or spend. Choice is yours".
- He was Sensitive to every type of human suffering. But one group got his attention. They were factory workers. He heard their cry. He used to peep and see them working from his home. Workers were going with their children to work. He used to wonder where the little ones were going - places they do not belong to! So as young he had a deep concern for people, a great sense of justice - qualities which YCS greatly values.
- After his school studies his parents thought of taking him a job in the factory with the other working class boys. But he had other ideas-to become a priest. He joined the seminary. After some time his father died. Seeing his father who had worked hard all his life, he swore to become a priest of the working people. While on holidays from seminary, workers saw him as a little priest who joined with other forces that oppressed. This wounded him. But he vowed '**I will give my life to saving the working classes of the world**'.
- He was ordained Priest on 22 Sept. 1906. He went around finding solutions for the workers from the trade unions, scouting etc. But was not satisfied. In 1916 during the war, he worked actively in the underground. He was arrested for speaking against German armies. During this time in prison, he set plans and directions for YCW.

- **First YCW:** First he founded a group for young women needle workers and also a group for young working boys. He said “**we are setting out to conquer the world**”. In 1924 the young trade unionists became YCW with the founder Joseph Cardijn as National Chaplain.
- **First:** He wished to create the most powerful, strongest, most united organization in which workers feel the solidarity of their interests and the invincible power of their union.
- **Second:** To enable each worker to educate his own individuality, to uplift himself morally and intellectually so that he may feel the need of more wellbeing and more justice.
- **Approach:** Changing the whole environment that surrounded young workers. His saying “*You don’t give tonic to the fish that is suffering from the effects of polluted water, you have got to change that water.....the environment*”
- In March 1925 Pope Pius XI received the founder in Rome and gave the Movement the sanction of the Church.
- On 12th Feb.1965 Pope Paul VI consecrated him as a bishop and made him Cardinal.
- Cardijn passed away on the night of the 24th July 1967 at the age of 85.
- “*We are still at the beginning, we are always at the beginning, we are just beginning*” was his famous saying.



## FORMATION SESSIONS NATIONAL COUNCILS & THEMES

Study Sessions & National Councils	Date & Year	Place	Theme
1st Study Session	1966		Leisure activities
2nd Study Session	1967		Encounter with Christ
3rd Study Session	1968		Who am I?
4th Study Session	1969		At home in today's world.
5th Study Session & 1st National Council	28th Dec. 1969 – 1st Jan. 1970	Poona	Say it as it really is.
6th Study Session	1971		Towards a world without refugees
7th Study Session & 2nd National Council	7 – 13 <sup>th</sup> May 1972	B'lore	The world around us: our concern.
8th Study Session & 3rd National Council	22 – 29th May 1975	B'lore	My response to our people.
9th Study Session	1977		A new India: my responsibility.
10th Study Session & 4th National Council	27th Dec. 1977-2nd Jan. 1978	Nagpur	My school today and tomorrow.
11th Study Session	1979		Reaching out the deprived child.
12th Study Session & 5th National Council	17 – 27th May 1980	Poona	Education for our people.
13th Study Session	1981		Education for a fuller life
14th Study Session & 6th National Council	18 – 28th May 1983	Coonoor	Option for the poor (Part – I) in the school

15th Study Session	1984		Option for the poor (Part – II) in the society
16th Study Session & 7th N.C.	18 – 28th May 1986	Ranchi	Students moved by faith towards option for the poor
17th Study Session & 8th N.C.	14 – 24th May 1989	Kazipet	God experience. Mass Media and Education
18th Study Session & 9th N.C.	15 – 25th May 1992	Mysore	Communal Harmony, Education of the heart and environment
19th Study Session & 10th N.C.	18 – 28th May 1995	Madras	Learn to Live, Live to Grow, Grow to Change
20th Study Session & 11th N.C.	14 – 24th May 1998	Calcutta	Enlightening the people for harmonious living God's Challenge today.
21st Study Session & 12th N.C.	14 – 24th May 2001	Sec-bad	Believe in Children's Dignity - Strengthen their Rights.
22nd Study Session & 13th N.C.	9 – 19th May 2004	Goa	Children, Image of the Divine, Ensure fullness of Life
23rd Study Session & 14th N.C.	11th – 18th May 2007	Kovalam, Chennai	Empowering relationships for sustainable justice and peace
24th Study Session & 15th N.C.	14th – 20th May 2010	M'lore	Responding to God's call to be simple, sincere and sensitive persons, let us envision and build a green and harmonious world
25th Study Session & 16th N.C.	17th -28th May 2013	Bethel, Shillong	Students' Education in Modern Era
26th Study Session & 17th N.C.	16-22 May 2016	YMCA Delhi	Called to Believe, begin, become
27th Study Session & 18th N.C.	17-24 May 2019	SJVRC Goa	Young Students for youthful life



# THE PLANNING OF

## **YCS/YSM XXVII FORMATION SESSION AND XVIII NATIONAL COUNCIL 2019 – Goa**

Around 100 delegates from 12 regions across the country are participating in the council. An evaluation of the Movement was undertaken by the National office as a preparation for the Council.

The National Council is the Apex Body of the Movement. It is held once in every three years having student representatives and animators from every diocese and region. Input sessions, Exposure, Regional and National Reports and Evaluation findings will help the delegates to analyze study, reflect and plan so as to give new direction to the whole Movement.

### **INTRODUCTION AND BASIC INFORMATION:**

#### **The objectives of the National council are as follows:**

- To review the action plan of the previous three years
- To evaluate the Movement performance
- To focus more on the History and the spirituality of the Movement
- To enlighten and empower the student delegates on present reality
- To respond with concrete plans to the issues affecting the society
- To study a particular issue related to the life of students & plan action for the next 3 years
- To search for new thrusts
- To challenge and to move towards realization of our dreams
- Time of deeper reflection, evaluation and planning
- To make decisions on the basic policies and the orientation of the movement
- To elect and approve the new National Executive Committee (NEXCO) and National Team

### **JOURNEY TOWARDS THE XVIII NATIONAL COUNCIL 2019**

- During the last convention held in Kolkata, Goa Archdiocese was requested to host the Council and the Regional Director gladly accepted the invitation.
- 28-29 Dec 2017 NTA/EXCO Meeting at USM, Indore – Tentative theme and thrusts were discussed. Dates were finalized.

Dates: 17-24 May 2019

Place: Goa, hosted by Goa Archdiocese

Theme: Young Students for youthful life

Thrusts: Self Identity; Safe School; New Society

Number of Delegates: 100+

- Steering committee: National Team, RYD and REXCO of Goa, National Office and RYD representatives.
- Evaluation questionnaire will be sent to all the regions which will be studied during the Regional Council and sent to the national office soon.
- Budget: Rs 10,00,000
- Fund raising: Regional contribution Rs 5000, Diocesan contribution Rs 5000, Student members' contribution Rs 10 each, Advertisements – Every diocese worth Rs 5000 for the Souvenir and other donations, Project proposal to funding agencies.
- Registration fee: Rs. 500.
- Every region shall organize the Regional council by the end of Nov/Dec 2018 and do the needful.
- Send the bio-data of the YCS/YSM of your region by October 2018.
- Membership fees to be collected as per the constitution and send to the regional and national office and then only their membership will be accepted as official.
- Amendments to the constitution if any, to be sent to the National Office six months prior to the National Council (i.e. by the end of November 2018)
- Invite to IYCS International Chaplain and IYCS Asia coordinators.
- Invite to ICYM and AICUF delegate as observers.

## **DELEGATES OF THE NC**

National Council members: The present EXCO members, RYDs/RCs, 1 student member each from every diocese where YCS/YSM exists, 8 ex members, 12 invitees, Chairman and resource person.

### **Who is a delegate**

#### **A very important person**

- \* who is the representative of hundreds of YCS/YSM students from the region they represent.
- \* who has been delegated the responsibility to represent the view of the cell/unit/diocese/region.
- \* who is a committed leader.
- \* who knows the movement at the cell/unit/diocese/regional level.
- \* who brings the views and the rich experiences of the region.

- \* who does not speak for oneself, but on behalf of the region.  
You are representing your region. Are you prepared? Do you know your region? What is happening in your region? Are you ready to stand by the members whom you represent?

**Role of a delegate:**

- \* to participate in the council proceedings
- \* to have a right to speak and express your views
- \* to share your experiences
- \* to discuss and make your point clear
- \* to contribute for the good/betterment of the movement
- \* speak for your cell/unit/diocese/region
- \* ready to work dedicatedly for the movement

**Role of Animators**

- \* Accompany the student delegates in every activity.
- \* you grow along with the students.
- \* share your experience with the students.
- \* you are the lifeline of the movement. Assist delegates to take proper decisions.
- \* You are a guide and a friend, a role model.

**CRITERIA FOR SELECTING THE DELEGATES:**

- One delegate from each diocese (Refer – Constitution – Appendix VII)
- Gender equality has to be maintained.
- They should have at least two years of experience in the movement
- Willing to dedicate his/her service for 3 years in the movement.
- Language should not be a barrier in selecting a genuine and active member.
- Animators as allotted by the committee
- They should be willing to travel for National meetings and programmes.

**THE NEW NATIONAL EXCO'S:**

- They should be genuine and active members willing to render a service at all three levels. (National/Regional/Diocesan)
- They should have effective leadership skills.
- They should be willing to serve for the complete term of three years.
- They should be selected / elected and approved by the RTS and RTA.
- They should be entering Class XII or below at the time of their election.
- They should have actively participated in the Movement at least for 2 years.
- They should be able to travel across the country for NTA/EXCO meetings on their own.

### **THE PROGRAMME:**

The council is the highest body of the movement. It guides the course of the movement. It sets the orientations, priorities and theme for the movement. There will be reports (National, Regional, and Evaluation reports), Exposures, study sessions and theological reflections. Also there will be a cultural exchange and evolving a theme, amendments, statutes, election of the New EXCO's and the new NT, etc.

### **STUDY SESSION**

Sessions will be held on the theme and the thrusts

- Sessions – On YCS/YSM and Cell life
- Spirituality and Theological reflection

### **REPORTS (National, Regional Evaluation & Findings):**

The national report and the regional reports: This covers the period between the sixteenth to the present council.

**National Evaluation report:** This national office undertakes a nationwide evaluation of the movement. This enables us to know our strengths, limitations, challenges, possibilities, and uniqueness of the mission and the future course of action. It is done through questionnaires. A questionnaire will be sent to you shall be duly filled and sent back to the national office within two months.

### **FRUITFUL COUNCIL**

- Select the members who have actively participated in the movement at least two years
- Select those who can critically reflect on the issues and study theme.

Some questions for personal reflections to prepare for the council.

- How to realize the uniqueness of the movement?
- How to make the movement more effective and relevant to the present reality?
- How to put the findings of the evaluation committee in practice?
- Concrete ways of realizing the students Nature, Internationality and Spirituality of the movement.
- Role and impact of the movement in education, student rights, communal harmony, social justice, church, family, school, ecology etc.
- Animator, Animation and growth of the person and the movement



### A glance...

#### **Introduction and Basic Information:**

What is YCS/YSM: It is a student movement where students come together in small groups of 8-10 to share their interests, problems, experiences, anxieties etc and find a solution of their own through the YCS methodology of See, Judge and Act i.e. Awareness, Reflection Action and Evaluation.

Inspired by Cardinal Joseph Cardijn and the methodology of See, Judge and Act the roots were found in India in 1936 and it was officially organized by Sr. Jeanne Devos on 16th January 1966 at Chennai. It was officially recognized by the CBCI in 1969 and Sr. Jeanne Devos became its first National Animator. YSM was affiliated to it for the sake of the students of other faith in 1970 and in the same year YCS/YSM was affiliated to the IYCS international.

**VISION:** To evolve a new society, where people live in harmony, where there is total freedom for the complete growth of the individual, where each and every person is respected in dignity hence valuing peace, love, truth, justice and equality.

**Aim:** “A just Society” - God’s Kingdom.

**Objectives:** Self change – Change others  
students’ salvation and sanctification of the milieu  
through student service.  
Personality development.  
Leadership through Talent exposure.  
Faith formation.  
Building up a better future.  
Fighting for social justice and peace.

**Methodology:** See, Judge and Act (Awareness, Reflection, Action and Evaluation)

**Characteristics:** It is a movement of gathering and sharing of experiences of the members and evaluating the life situations to form an attitude

towards value based pro life actions. Hence,

It is a Student movement

It is an awareness movement

It is a religiously inspired movement

It is an action oriented movement

It is a cell based movement

**Spirituality:** All accept one another as brothers and sisters; hence a family atmosphere is created to treat each other as real human beings.

Relationship with self – Knowing oneself

Relationship with the Other - Process of becoming

Relationship with God – Presence in the Reality

**Cells are the basic units of the movement.**

Student members become a well knit group in sustaining the fraternal relationship in sharing the life experiences to accept each other as their own.

**Animators are the backbone of the movement.**

Animator is a friend, guide, the one who accompanies the members always in their growth process. The Animator needs to have a deep faith in God and Prayer, Commitment to Word of God, commitment to Student members and colleagues and commitment to God's Kingdom. He/She needs to be a visionary and learner, accepting and listening to students as they are in their spiritual and growth process.

**STRUCTURE OF THE MOVEMENT:**

**Cell** : Group of 8 – 10 having a Leader and Secretary for Cell meeting

**Unit** : Cells together form unit having President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter

**Diocese:** Units together having Diocesan team (DTA/DTS)

**Region** : Dioceses together having Regional team (RTA/RTS)

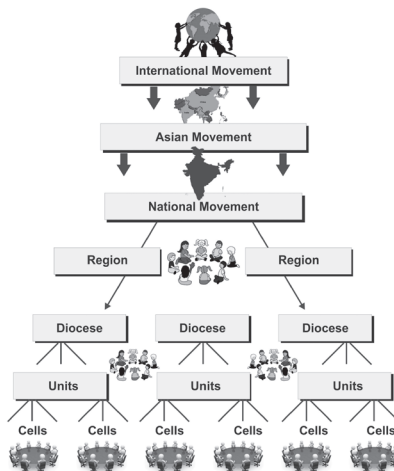
**Nation** : National team (NTA/Exco) - National Chaplain, National coordinator, President, secretary, treasurer – Office in Chennai, India and Working Office in Delhi.

**Asia** : Asian team – Office in Manila, Philippines

**International IYCS** : International team – Office in Paris, France

- **Student Movement:** The YCS/YSM is a student Movement. Students at various levels (Cell, Unit, Diocese, Region, and Nation) undertake and hold responsibility in terms of leadership and decision making in consultation with their animators.

- **National Council (NC):** NC is highest legislative body, which consists of student leaders from all the dioceses. It meets once in three years to evaluate the Movement and to evolve a theme for the coming three years. So far we have had sixteen such councils.



- **National Exco:** The National Exco consists of two or more student leaders from each region. They form a link between the regional and diocesan bodies and help in the execution of the National plans and programmes.
- **National Team of Animators (NTA):** The NTA consists of the regional chaplains, the National Coordinator and the National Chaplain. The NTA & EXCO meets once in six months to evaluate, to plan and to implement the programmes at the National level.
- **National Team (NT):** The NT comprises of National President, Secretary, Treasurer along with National Chaplain and Coordinator. These leaders are elected democratically, from the national body of Exco. This is the administrative body of the Movement.
- **Regions:** There are 14 regions in India. The Regional Team (RT) comprises of the Regional Chaplain, Coordinator, President, Secretary and Treasurer. There are the Regional Team of Animators (RTA) and Regional Team of Students (RTS)
- **Diocese:** In the Dioceses we have Diocesan Team of Animators (DTA) and Diocesan Team of Students (DTS) to discuss, to evaluate

and to strengthen the Movement. Like NT and RT, here we have DT (Diocesan Team) as the administrative body.

- **Unit/Cell:** The number of cells in a particular institution/parish forms a unit. A cell having 10 to 12 students meets regularly under the guidance of Animator.

### **Methodology: Review of Life**

#### **Awareness:**

1. What happened during the incident? Where, When, Why and How?
2. Who were the persons actively involved in the incident?
3. Have similar incidents taken place elsewhere? Your experience.

#### **Reflection:**

1. Who benefits from this situation and who loses?
2. What were the attitudes of the persons actively involved in the incident?
3. What good/evil has come about through this situation?
4. What does Jesus/God/Word of God (Bible/Gita/Koran) teaches us in such situations?

#### **Action:**

1. What is my personal decision for transformation in me?
2. What change do I bring about in my attitude to build new society (God's kingdom)?
3. What will we do as a cell to bring about change in the society? Our Action plan.

#### **Evaluation:**

1. What are the positive & negative results we got from the action?
2. What I have learnt? How have I changed?
3. Have we succeeded in bringing about a change in us and society? (If yes – good, If no - Why? What change should we adapt?)

#### **How to start YCS groups:**

- Brainstorming – Suggestions in a non critical situation
- Buzz Sessions – Consultation and discussion before a general sharing
- Group Dynamic “Games” – Learning through doing
- Provoked Incidents – To observe group response in real life situation
- Role Play – To present problem realistically to initiate discussion
- Miming – To present a problem realistically with imagination and variety

- Photo Language – Helps express ones views and discover oneself in the photo
- Film – To present a problem, life situation for reflection and action
- Songs, poems, quotations, Advertisements, etc. – To inspire life situations
- Symbols and objects – To express ideas, feelings, relationships etc
- Speeches – To present ones ideas for elaborate discussion, reflection and action
- Panel – To let different opinions expressed for reflection
- Debate – To argue a point of view in concise and logical way
- Fishbowl – To increase participation
- Interviews – To become conscious of opinions and enter into dialogue
- Survey – To find out the precise objective of the situation
- Awareness walk – To obtain first hand information and reflect upon it
- Case Study – To develop problem solving attitudes and skills
- Stepping into another's shoes – To become aware of life and problems of others
- Dreaming Dreams – Formulate vision for the future to give purpose to present life.

### **The Search**

The search magazine is a bimonthly news letter of YCS/YSM National movement. It has been published regularly since 1985. It helps to pen our feelings and experiences.

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**National Office activities:**

- NTA/Exco meetings
- National Team Meetings
- National Animators and Chaplains Training
- NTA/Exco live in
- Inter-regional Leadership and Animation programs
- National Students Leaders Training Program
- Visitation to Regions and Dioceses
- National Council
- National Convention

**Asian and International programmes:**

- South Asian Session (SAS)
- Asian Session (ASC)
- Chaplains & Animators Formation Exchange (CAFÉ)
- International Coordination (IC)
- World Council (WC)



“ I FAILED in some  
subjects in exam,  
but my friend PASSED in all.

Now he is an engineer in Microsoft  
and I am the owner of Microsoft. ”

- Bill Gates

## FORMER DIRECTORS AND OFFICE BEARERS

### The National Chaplains (Animators):

1. Sr. Jeanne Devos	1969 – 1975
2. Fr. Johnny Monteiro	1975 – 1979
3. Fr. Irudayam	1980 – 1983
4. Fr. M.C. Micheal	1983 – 1989
5. Fr. Vincent Monteiro	1989 – 1995
6. Fr. Prakash Sagili	1995 – 2001
7. Fr. I. Peter	2001 – 2007
8. Fr. Vincent Arokiadas	2007 – 2010
9. Fr. Charles Menezes	2010 – 2016
10. Fr. Chetan Machado	2016 –

### National Coordinators:

Mr. Syed Akram	1986 - 1988
Mr. Vincent Rodrigues	1991 - 1993
Sr. Elsa PBVM	1993 - 1995
Sr. Selvi SSps	1995 - 1998
Sr. Jessie Mary SSps	1998 - 2001
Sr. Mary Margaret SSps	2001 - 2004
Sr. Jane	2004 - 2007
Sr. Margaret Mathai	2008 - 2009
Mr. Leo Joseph	2010 - 2013
Sr. Lidwin Fernandes	2018 - 2019

### The National Convener / President:

1968 – 1969	Mary Anne D'Souza	1969 – 1972	Agnes Joseph/ Swamy
1972 – 1974	Alvito Bareto	1974 – 1976	Alex Rodrigues
1976 – 1978	Jeanne D'Cunha/Karin D'Souza	1978 – 1979	George Joseph
1979 – 1980	Christy Micheal	1980 – 1983	Anand Kishore
1983 – 1986	Mary Margaret	1986 - 1989	Vincent Rodrigues
1989 – 1992	Jesim Pais	1992 – 1995	Julius Fernandes
1995 – 1998	Joshua Almeida	1998 – 2001	Rita D'Souza
2001 – 2004	Rochelle Cutinho	2004 – 2007	Winston D'Souza
2007 – 2010	Suzan Munurose Topno	2010 – 2013	Joyce John Dymphna
2013 – 2016	Jimmy Pdang	2016 – 2019	Jesvita Quadras

### IYCS CHAPLAINS FROM INDIA

2016 -	Fr. Charles Menezes	International Chaplain	Paris
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### IYCS ASIAN TEAM MEMBERS FROM INDIA

1974 – 1981	Sr. Jeanne Devos	Asian Chaplain	Chennai
1977 – 1982	Alvito Bareto	Asian Coordinator	Singapore
1977 – 1981	Fr. Johnny Monteiro	Part time Chaplain	Chennai

1981 – 1982	John Siddham	Asian Coordinator	Singapore
1982 – 1985	Alex Rodrigues	Asian Coordinator	Singapore
1985 – 1988	Samir Bhengra	Asian Coordinator	Hong Kong/Singapore
1988 – 1990	Fr. Joe Nalliath SDB	Asian Chaplain	Hong Kong
2000 – 2003	Manoj Mathew	Asian Coordinator	Manila
2003 – 2006	Fr. Vincent Monteiro	Part time Chaplain	Mangalore
2009 – 2010	Deepak Raj	Asian Coordinator	Manila
2009 – 2012	Fr. James Chako	Part time Chaplain	Manila
2018 -	Jimmy Pdang	Asian Coordinator	Manila

### **IYCS INTERNATIONAL TEAM MEMBERS FROM INDIA....**

1974 – 1978	Agnes Joseph	Int. Team Member	Paris
1985 – 1986	John Siddham	Secretary General	Paris
2003 – 2007	Manoj Mathew	Secretary General	Paris

### **INTERNATIONAL YCS ASIA CONSULTATIVE BODY....**

2000 – 2003	Fr. Prakash Sagili	Member	Chennai
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### **INTERNATIONAL YCS ADVISORY BOARD....**

2011 – 2014	Manoj Mathew	Member	New Delhi
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**“I never dreamed  
about success.  
I worked for it.”**

**Estée Lauder**  
Entrepreneur

digital.com

**YCS/YSM INDIA**  
**EVALUATION OF THE NATIONAL THEME AND ACTIVITIES**  
*(This will be done during the Council by the regions)*

**FOR MEMBERS/STUDENT LEADERS/ANIMATORS:**

**CELL LIFE:**

1. **Do you function as a cell or a unit?**  
Most of the participants said they function as a unit. Some places it is because of the lack of animators, some places the concept of cell is not understood properly.
2. **How many cells do you have in your unit?** - varies
3. **How many members are there in your cell?** - varies
4. **Topics dealt in your cell?**  
Participants said both social and personal topics are dealt with
5. **Do you follow any group dynamics/methods? Specify?**  
Most of the times it is a session. Every session a few activities are conducted. Once a year or occasionally exposure visits are conducted.
6. **Does everyone get a fair chance to express his/her view in your cell?**  
Most of the participants answered positively
7. **Do you feel a collective responsibility in your cell meeting?**  
This question was not answered by many. Those who replied said 'yes'
8. **What problems do you face in your cell or in your involvement in the YCS/YSM in the school?**  
To this questions almost all the participants said there is a lot of pressure from the authorities and the parents. School work, tuition, time crunch, lack of guidance, no animators, finance, lack of trained animators etc are the problems faced.
9. **In what ways has the YCS/YSM Cell life helped you?**  
Cell life has helped students to gain more friends, has made them to become a good leader and a responsible person:
10. **Does your Diocesan Director/Regional Director visit your unit?**  
To this question almost 70 percent answer was 'NO'

## **METHODOLOGY**

1. Do you follow the YCS/YSM review of life Methodology?
2. What other areas of your life do you apply YCS/YSM Methodology?
3. Specify some of the actions taken up after the cell meeting?
4. Does the methodology help you in bringing about any change in your attitude? If so, How?

## **SPRITUALITY**

1. Has the Movement helped you come closer to God and Religion?
2. With regard to people of other faiths:
3. Do you use scriptures of other religions?
4. What is your understanding of God/Spirituality before and after you joined the Movement?
5. As a member where did you have a unique God experience/ encountered the presence of God in your life?

## **THEME OF THE MOVEMENT**

1. Do you know the National Theme?
2. Was the theme sufficiently clear and relevant to you?
3. What are the themes you have worked other than the National Theme?
4. What activities/actions have you taken based on the theme?
5. What would be the theme and thrust you would like to propose for the forthcoming years?

## **THE MOVEMENT& ITS IMPACT**

1. What is the uniqueness of YCS/YSM when there are so many other movements/organizations like NCC, NSS and Scouts & Guides and Red Cross, etc?
2. Are you able to create an interest in other students about the Movement?
3. Has your involvement helped you to be better member in you parish/school/neighborhood? If yes, how if no why?
4. Have you in any way succeeded in influencing the social situation?

5. Are you able to reach out/help students in need in your school/ locality?

**ANIMATION: ONLY FOR STUDENTS:**

1. Who conducts the cell meetings?
2. Do you need an animator?
3. Qualities I expect in my animator?

**ONLY FOR STUDENT LEADERS:**

1. How do you think you are different from other leader?
2. What is your relationship with DTS/RTS/NATIONAL EXCOS/ NATIONAL TEAM?

**ONLY FOR ANIMATORS:**

1. How is your relationship with the students?
2. As an animator your strengths; Weaknesses:
3. Do you feel the experience you have gained as an animator valuable? Why?
4. Do you get adequate training on the theme/thrusts?
5.
  1. Are you in contact with the students?
  2. How?
6. What do you suggest for the growth of the movement?

**FOR HEADS OF INSTITUTIONS /PARENTS/BISHOPS/ BENEFACTORS/EX-YCS/YSM'ERS**

1. Do the members influence the student community?
2. What is the uniqueness of YCS/YSM when we have so many other movements/organizations like Scouts & guides, Red Cross, NSS, NCC, etc?
3. Does the Movement help in the integral formation of its members?
4. What is your experience in sending YCS/YSMers for camps and programmes?
5. What is your relationship with Diocesan Office?
6. What is your response to your children/students being in YCS/ YSM?

7. Would you like to contribute financially towards the growth of this movement?
8. How will you promote YCS/YSM in your place?

**THE SEARCH- NATIONAL NEWSLETTER: FOR ALL**

1. Do you read “The Search”?
2. The newsletter is available to whom?
3. Do you subscribe the “The Search”?
4. Do you think ‘The Search’ is a genuine Newsletter?
5. Have you shared your views in ‘The Search’?

**ANY OTHER SUGGESTION FOR THE GROWTH/  
BETTERMENT OF YCS/YSM:**

**EVALUATION OF NATIONAL MOVEMENT AND  
CHAPLAIN - NTA/NEXCO**

- a. National Chaplain and his role
- b. The National Movement
  - \* The growth of the movement in achieving the aim and objectives
  - \* Implementation of the national theme
  - \* Implementaion of National Programmes
  - \* Advocacy and reaching out to the regions and dioceses
  - \* Management of the National Office
  - \* Finances
  - \* The Search newsletter
  - \* Successes, weaknesses, challenges, opportunities of the movement



# NATIONAL TEAM REPORT-2016-2019

*Jesvita Quadras, National Convener*

Greetings!

The National Team comprises of Ms. Jesvita Quadras, Ms. Rachel Patricia, Mr. Jeris, Ms. Natasha Louis and Ms. Mary Roshni who were elected as the National Convener, National Secretary, National Treasurer, National Newsletter- Editor and National Cultural and liturgical Secretary respectively. We were together 18 NEXCO members who were the chosen representatives from our regions. Our term together began in the month of May 2016 during the 17th National Council in Greater Noida. Due to certain circumstances, some including our NT member Ms. Natasha, couldn't remain committed to their role and left our family along the way. Presently a total of 12 representatives are working for our movement.

We met twice a year for the NT EXCO meetings and sometimes for other regional or national programmes and discussed and worked on how we could do justice in carrying out our role in the movement. As the NT EXCO, we have visited many programmes and meetings and have been committed to our responsibility. We can definitely not deny that there were many times where we lacked in our coordination and commitment. We were given 'N' number of opportunities to learn and grow which came along with challenges such as to contact each other who belonged to every corner of this country, to get them to respond and so on. However, we as a team worked our bit and put together what we could do to run the movement.

We, as the National Team have tried our best to decide and implement what is good and necessary to uphold the values and morals that our movement believes in strongly.

The most important aspect of us continuing our bit has been none other Fr. Chetan, a person, who, with very little words speaks volumes for us to

learn from. We are and always will be grateful for having a Chaplain who believed in us despite our little shortcomings and guided us regardless of our mistakes that we have corrected and learned today. We have been privileged to have with us two personalities who joined us down the road in the year 2018 to help in the working of the movement. Fr Anil Dsa and Sr. Lydwin Fernandes, our two National coordinators who have always helped us in every little or big way possible to expand the horizons of our movement. Mr. Ebin Navis from Tamil Nadu also worked as a full-time National Volunteer for the year 2018 and has rendered his dedication for which we are grateful. We were initially supported by Mr. Midrash Mathew, a part-time coordinator. We thank him for his service to our movement.

The unconditional support rendered to us by all our Regional and Diocesan Chaplains has truly been a mark of appreciation. Speaking of which, our movement has been blessed with many such animators and supporters who have been a backbone to the students.

Last but not the least, our dear NEXCO members, the love and support you have given us has been remarkable. Though less in number, we as one team have tried all we could, in putting together our efforts in making these three years a successful one. We thank you wholeheartedly for your unconditional service and assistance that has helped us run the movement.

Lastly, a word of appreciation to all our parents, the former members, supporters and well-wishers of our movement who have been there to help us light the brightness of YCS YSM everywhere.

Let the light of YCS YSM shine forever more!



**“Failure is the opportunity to begin again more intelligently.”**



## NATIONAL OFFICE REPORT 2016-2019

*Fr. Chetan Machado, National Chaplain*

Dear Friends Greetings!

After taking charge of the movement in 2015, I feel it has been a nice journey accompanying young students all these years. I thank my predecessors for their guidance and the hardwork work they have put in to bring YCS/YSM where it is today. Our movement has already celebrated the Golden Jubilee and marching forward. We have touched the lives of many young people who are grateful to the movement. I feel proud to be the chaplain of this movement and thank all the NEXCOs who worked for the movement during these years, part time and full time coordinators, alumnis and other associates who have been contributing to the growth of this movement

For YCS/YSM India, journey has been bumpy, especially the last few years. With many difficulties we are still holding the fort. The national office has been organising NATP's for the animators and NSLTP's for students every year without fail. We even introduced training in Hindi for the Hindi speaking regions but response has been very poor.

We have been collaborating with other movements and organisations to give exposure to our students at the international level. During 2016-2019 some students availed these opportunities but many deserving and capable did not make it because of non availability of animators to accompany them and poor communication sytem at the diocesan/regional level. Most of our students were not even aware of these events.

We organised Taize pilgrimage to Hong Kong, we sent students to Taize, France, World Youth Day, Asian Youth Day, Global Training session in Rome etc.

YCS/YSM has a documentation house in Santhome, Chennai which remains our registered office and in Delhi we have the National working office. Till recently, Archdiocese of Delhi had given us a place at Delhi

Archdiocesan Youth office. We had to vacate the office for major renovation and once again we are left without any office. We are looking for a place in Delhi until we get ready with our own office in Najafgarh, Delhi which may take some time. We now have a place to keep our files safe and a place of our own to stay in Chennai for any YCS/YSM work.

During the last three years I have visited many regions and some units/cells. I was happy to see the work done in some dioceses and regions where YCS/YSM light is still shining. It is very unfortunate that many dioceses have closed down the YCS/YSM and this movement is reduced to a few schools or just one or two dioceses in the region. (*Rf. Statistics of the movement on Pg. 68*)

I am happy and get encouraged when I see our student community, so vibrant, enthusiastic and committed. They want to learn and go ahead in life. I feel disappointed because at times these young people are like sheep without a shepherd. There are no animators to accompany them, no teachers to guide them, no pastors to organise and help them. At times young priests and religious showing no interest make me feel sorry for this movement.

At the national office we have a lot of work. Other than maintaining files/documents and reports, we have an FCRA account to maintain. We need funds to maintain that account and at the moment there is just one project for NSLTP. Every two months we need to get ready with The Search. We don't have any staff to design, get it printed, get it ready for posting etc. Every year we have three major national programmes other than the Council and Convention which is once in three years. All the planning, logistics and most importantly funds have to be arranged for these programmes. To arrange a place and send communication to our regions and dioceses we need volunteers to help us. At the moment the whole burden is on the National chaplain.

We were looking for a National Coordinator. God finally heard our prayers and gave us two coordinators in 2018. Sr. Lidwin Fernandes UMI and Fr. Anil D'Sa SDB joined us to help the National office. It was very nice to work with them as a team and their help to get ready

with The Search on time and sending information to the regions and coordinating national programmes reduced a lot of burden.

They need to move on. Sr. Lidwin is appointed the Executive secretary of the womens commission of CCBI and Fr. Anil is also moving out to take up a higher responsibility. They will still help us as and when they find time. We are now looking for a coordinator who can journey with us.

I thank Sr. Lidwin and Fr. Anil for their tireless and committed service to the movement and wish them all the best in their ministry.

When I was appointed, YCS was functioning under CBCI Youth Council. It was discussed during the 77th EC meeting of CCBI that 'some youth movements are international or Pontifical in character and they are governed and guided by international statutes. In India however, they will come under the CCBI if they are of the Latin Rite. IYCS is pontifical in character and work under the conference.

During the 79th EC meeting it was made clear that The YCS YSM is presently working in Latin dioceses, the present national director and former directors made various efforts to start YCS/YSM in the oriental Churches, but the two Oriental Churches were not interested to start a Latin organisation in their dioceses because they have their own associations in their educational institutions. YCS/YSM now operates under the canonical Conference and hence it works under the CCBI, which is the canonical national Episcopal Conference of India.

Finally, as I said earlier it was a mixed bag of experiences for me. I am still hopeful that YCS/YSM will flourish in the coming years. Many Chaplains will come forward to start this movement in their dioceses to save our students from bad influence. We need a strong movement in our country. We need to guide and direct them.

Long live YCS/YSM India.

God bless you.



# NATIONAL REPORT 2016-2019

## YCS/YSM NATIONAL MOVEMENT REPORT May 2016 to May 2019

**1. Introduction:** Young Catholic Students/ Young Students Movement has achieved a few milestones during the last three years. In Noida, UP we prepared an action plan and the National Movement worked hard to implement some of the suggestions made during the last Council. There were many ups and downs. Many dioceses where YCS was active some years back is not functioning anymore and a few dioceses have taken initiative to revive the movement.

In Delhi (Noida) we chose the theme, 'Called to believe, begin. become'. Thrusts were 'back to the roots, human dignity, media and me'. For the past three years we have deliberated on these topics and spread awareness on various issues. Most of our programmes at the diocesan, regional and national level were based on this theme.

With the guidance, collaboration and co-operation of the National Chaplain, National Coordinators, Regional Chaplains, the National Team Members (NT) and EXCO's, we have worked with the student leaders and Animators to achieve our goals. Through various national and inter-regional programs and through the publication of 'The Search', our bi-monthly newsletter, the students are formed to be leaders and agents of change.

This National Report contains various undertakings of our Movement of the past three years with our National Theme as its back-bone and guiding principle. This report will give us ample evidence that the movement has believed in the dignity of every individual and worked to strengthen their Rights.

Though this is an elaborated report, we are still unable to express the hard work, selfless dedication and sacrifice of our students, animators, chaplains, coordinators, parents, well wishers and for the growth of the Movement. Heartfelt gratitude to all of them.

### **1.1. Student Reality:**

#### **What is the student reality?**

Student reality is changing day by day. With the advancement of technology, young people are becoming individualistic and withdrawn. Everything is virtual including relationships. Today we are made to believe wrong is right and right has no place. Our gadgets are full of fake news! Social media is causing more division than uniting people as it falsely claims. In a fast moving world everything happens instantly, our education, projects, research, relationship, spirituality, everything is affected by this. Today gadgets control us and program our lives. In a world like this students are confused. They are confused because there is a conflict in what they believe and what they are taught, what their parents/elders/teachers say and what media says, what Holy Scriptures says and what social media says. They do not know where to go for guidance. They are in search to find out their existence and this is the reality of today.

### **1.2. Vision:**

To evolve a new society, where people live in harmony, where there is total freedom for the complete growth of the individual, where each and every person is respected in dignity hence valuing peace, love, truth, justice and equality.

### **1.3. Aim:**

**“Building a new society”- “A Just Society”- God’s Kingdom.**

### **1.4. Objectives: Change Self- Change Others**

#### **To have:**

- a) Self discovery, personality development through review of life
- b) Creative leadership through talent exposure
- c) Social awareness to fight for justice and peace
- d) Group reflection and community building
- e) Respond to current issues and realize it
- f) God experience or faith formation
- g) Better future through studies, discipline in life and partaking in social activities
- h) National integration and communal harmony
- i) Collaborate with the likeminded movements and organizations.

### 1.5. Present Scenario:

In the year 2018 YCS/YSM started a membership drive. According to our constitution every member of YCS/YSM pays a nominal registration fee. It was a tough decision to implement but we had to begin somewhere. Some regions responded and some have asked for more time. The list given below is not the exact and real picture of the movement in the country but as of now this is the present scenario. At present, the Movement has more than thirty three thousand students and 764 dedicated Animators, youth workers spread out in 10 regions. The Movement has formed active and dynamic church leaders, social workers and liberators who are involved in the process of socioeconomic- political-religious welfare of the people all over the country.

### 2. Statistics of the Movement\* (Dioceses having the movement)

Name of the regions	No. of Dioceses	No. of Units	No. of Students	No. of Girls	No. of Boys	No. of Animators
A.P. (Telugu)*	1	-	140	60	80	5
Bihar*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chattisgarh*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jharkhand*	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goa*	1	26	431	-	-	41
Karnataka	5	318	10,600	8,048	2,552	372
MG (Nagpur)*	1	5	50	20	30	2
Madhya Pradesh*	2	30	2,800	1,240	1,560	52
North East	15	155	9,800	4,282	5,518	155
Northern Region*	1	15	92	52	40	4
Odisha*	3	25	1,600	638	962	25
Tamilnadu*	8	148	1988	1330	658	60
U.P. (Agra)*	1	2	126	46	80	4
West Bengal	2	12	830	340	490	17
Total	40	770	32826	18899	13927	717

\* updated in 2019.

### 3. NTA/EXCO:

The National Team of Animators consists of the National Chaplain, National Coordinator and all the regional chaplains. The National

Executive body comprises of two (one boy & one girl) student leaders who represent their region. The NTA/EXCO meets once in six months to evaluate study and plan for the growth of the Movement. It also shares and takes the opportunity to participate in the Inter-Regional, National, Asian, International and partner movement programs.

The responsibility of the NTA/EXCO is to convey the orientation of the National Council at the grass root level i.e. both the regions and the diocese. The Movement is fortunate to have dedicated and inspiring Chaplains/ EXCOS with clear objectives, guidance and direction at all level. We appreciate the involvement and participation of a few EXCOS at their regional and diocesan level. In the mean time, the Movement has suffered too due to the absence/ non cooperation of some of the Regional Chaplains and discontinuation/ negligence of some EXCOS and negligence in selecting the EXCOS by some regions.

### **3.1. NTA/EXCO Meetings:**

During the last three years NTA/EXCO meetings were held in different regions:

#### **1st NT/EXCO Meeting**

The first NT/EXCO meeting was held during the national live-in programme in Udupi. This meeting was held from 13-15 August 2016. Fourteen NEXCOs along with some animators participated in this meeting.

#### **2nd NT/EXCO Meeting**

The second NT/EXCO meeting was held at St. Anthony's Shrine, Kolkata from 28th - 29th Decemeber, 2016. Thirty six students along with some animators participated in this meeting. This meeting was held to discuss and plan for the second national convention in Kolkata.

#### **3rd NT/EXCO Meeting**

The third NT/EXCO meeting was held at St. Anthony's Shrine, Kolkata from 20th – 21st May, 2017. Twenty one students and animators participated in this meeting. This meeting was held just before the 2nd national Convention to plan the whole programme of the National Convention. Fr. Devraj, Sr. Gouri and some local organising committee members were also part of this meeting.

#### **4th NTA/EXCO Meeting**

The National Team of Animators and Executive Council was held at USM, Indore from 27th December to 29th December 2017. Twenty members participated in this council meeting. During this 2nd NT/EXCO meeting regions presented their activity reports and the national secretary presented the report of the last meeting. There was an evaluation of the activities held during the last six months. Members also discussed the expansion of the movement. It was decided to have one NSLTP from next year and organize more training programmes in the regions with the cooperation of the regional office.

#### **5th NT/EXCO Meeting**

The 5th YCS/YSM NT/EXCO meeting was held at The Citadel, Kilpauk, Chennai from 17 to 18 June 2018. Sixteen students along with their animators attended this meeting to discuss about the forthcoming National Council in Goa, 2019. During this meeting, participants finalised the theme and the thrusts for the Council. Students chose the theme: “Students for youthful life” and ‘safe school’, ‘vocation’ and ‘new society’ as thrusts for the next three years. The National Council will be held in Goa in the month of May, 2019.

#### **6th NT/EXCO Meeting**

The sixth NT/EXCO meeting was held at St. Joseph Vaz Retreat Centre, Old Goa from 11-12 January 2019. Twelve members participated in the meeting. During this meeting the plans for the National Council were finalised.

**EXCOS Responses:** EXCO’s from most of the regions actively participated in most of the National programmes during this period. Unfortunately response from some regions was very poor.

#### **3.2. NTA/ EXCOS Live – In Program:**

##### **NEXCO live-in programme-2016**

The first live-in programme for the newly elected NEXCO’s was held from 13th - 15th of August 2016 at St. Antony’s Church, Kuntalnagar, Udupi diocese. There were fourteen participants. During the programme the team sat together to plan for the next three years. They visited a few cells in the diocese and shared their plan for the movement.

### **NEXCO live-in programme-2018**

Young Catholic Students and Young Students Movement, National Executive Committee members met in Bangalore for the 2nd live-in programme from 14-16 June 2018 at NBCLC. Students from seven regions participated in this programme to strengthen their bond and plan for the future. There were twelve participants.

### **The Present National Team**

National Chaplain - Fr. Chetan Machado

National Convener - Mr. Jesvita Quadras from Karnataka

National Secretary - Miss. Rachel Patricia from Tamilnadu

National Treasurer - Mr. Jeris from Uttar Pradesh

Liturgy Secretary - Ms Roshni Mary

### **3.3. Administrative, Organizational Meetings:**

Regular meetings and planning of National Team were held during NTA/ EXCO meeting itself. Since all were students and having different time table and considering distance and travel hazards we could not come together often. But at various occasions we met and through emails, cell phones, social media and the use of other networks we could decide things much faster.

### **3.5. Changes in the National EXCO and NTA:**

During this term some NTA/EXCO members were unable to continue due to other assignments, studies and personal reasons. We appreciate their service and contribution to the Movement and wish them all the best. The following members belong to the NTA/EXCO

Region	National Exco	NTA
Tamilnadu	Abihinisha, Raichel Pradeep Raj	Fr. Martin Joseph
Karnataka	Jesvita, Clacious	Fr. Anil D'Sa/Fr. Lourd Raj
M & G Region	-	Fr. Philip Topno
Goa	Xavier and Roslin	Fr. Savio D'Souza
Bihar-Patna	Nisha, Alex	Fr. Antony
West Bengal	Akansha, Natasha	Fr. Micahel /Fr. Devraj

Northeast	Justine, Wajiri, Rikham	Sr. Bernadeth
Uttar Pradesh	Jeris	Fr. Richard Arul
Odisha	Riya & Sanjith	-
Northern	Vanshika Paul	Fr. Vijay Baretto
Madhya Pradesh	Ravi & Roshni	Fr. Alexander
Telugu	-	Fr. Balaswamy/Fr. Praveen
Jharkhand	-	-
Chattisgarh	-	-

#### 4. National Council:

The National Council is the highest decision making body of YCS/YSM. It is held once in three years where student representatives from different regions meet. The National Team, NTA/EXCO members are responsible in organizing the Council.

##### 4.1. XVII National Council:

The 17th National Council was held in May 2016 at YMCA, Noida (Delhi). Around 120 student members from all over India participated in it and evaluated the movement for the past three years and chose the theme for next three years.

**The theme:** ‘Called to believe, begin. become’.

The National thrusts are:

1. back to the roots
2. human dignity
3. media and me

#### 5. National Plan of Action:

National action plan suggested by the XVII council:

##### Back to the Root

- The NTA/EXCO could organise programmes where former YCSers gather to share experiences in national programmes.
- The former YCSers be called as resource persons in panel discussions, seminars, workshops, etc., to animate participants in programmes.
- The NTA and EXCO shall visit all the dioceses in their respective regions, with prior information to their directors where ever applicable.

- The National Office shall bring out the revised edition of the testimonies.
- Initiate/revive the regions where YCS/YSM Movement is inactive.

### **Media and Me**

- The NTA/EXCO could organise sessions on themes like: ‘Internet Privacy’; ‘Cyber Security and Crime’; ‘Plagiarism’; etc. at the National Level
- The NTA/EXCO could write to local newspapers, YCS/YSM website, social networking sites and other magazines in regard to media.
- The National Office could organise workshop for office bearers on media

### **Human Dignity**

- The NT could organise training programmes, seminars, workshops and symposiums for RYDs, DYDs, animators and student leaders on ‘Restoring Human Right and Dignity’.
- The NT and National Office could prepare a resource book on ‘Restoring Human Rights’ and ‘Media’ to be used during the academic calendar and other sessions for students/animators.

### **General POA**

- Dedicating a special column in the Search newsletter that cater to the thrust of the year and encourage more members to write in that particular column.

## **6. Finance:**

Raising funds is a concern all the time. For all our programmes we pay one way TA and subsidize Board and lodging fees. We find it difficult to raise funds locally. In the past some dioceses have helped us partially to organize the NSLTP programmes. We are grateful to them. If there are funds we can organize more animators training programmes. We totally depend on funding agencies for our programmes. But nowadays it is not easy to receive projects for formation programs. As we claim it as a student’s movement, we also have to realize our duties and responsibilities towards it. Lack of motivation, attitude and efforts, make us fail in raising funds locally towards our movement. There are a lot of opportunities and awareness to raise funds locally. The need of financial support and the means to raise funds must be made aware to all and each of us should try

our level best in giving a helping hand to the movement. At this juncture, we are extremely grateful to the funding agencies that are supporting us, without whom certain programs are not possible. We are also grateful to our sponsors, benefactors and well wishers. With their support we were able to organize many training programmes successfully.

### **7. National Newsletter – The Search:**

Our National Newsletter “The Search”, is published six times a year. It publishes our views, articles, experiences, reports and the current happenings of the world. It gives an opportunity to the students to be budding writers. We appreciate the Editorial Board and all those who assist in bringing out the issues. Though we spend a lot of money, time and energy, it’s not possible to achieve its aim. The subscription and the articles from the student members are not satisfactory. But with the help of present NEXCO’s we have been able to get some subscriptions and expecting more in the coming days. Keeping in mind our national theme, we bring out articles pertaining to the theme in every issue. As it’s our magazine, it’s our duty to make it meaningful and reachable to many students.

### **8. Participation & collaboration with IYCS & IYCS Asia**

As our Movement is an International Movement we are proud of being a member movement, where every cell member belongs to it at every level. We also have a good relationship with the International Movement through correspondence and regular membership fees. Hosting the World Council for the First time has made us closer with the International movement and also to all the other countries having YCS. YCS/YSM - India has never missed the opportunity to participate in any Asian level programs and have used the full quotas for students. We are proud to have our own Fr. Charles as the International Chaplain. Our members have participated in the Global Session, Rome and Jordan, Asian Council in Taiwan, Asian Meeting in Phillipines, and WYD, Panama and AYD Indonesia.

### **9. Programs- IYCS - International**

#### **9.1 IYCS Global training Programme, Jordan**

The IYCS Global Training and International Committee meeting was held in Amman, Jordan from 5th October to 13th October 2017.

Animators from different continents attended this meeting and also training programme. National Chaplain Fr. Chetan Machado and Fr. Anil D'Sa Regional Youth Director of Karnataka attended this meeting.

## **9.2 IYCS Global Conference, Rome, Italy September, 2018**

The IYCS Global Conference was held in Rome from 10-20 September 2018. Ms Raichel, General Secretary of the movement participated in this programme along with three animators from India. The theme was: "Educating Today and Tomorrow; Students Building a Safe Learning Environment" Quality Education: A Safe Environment for the Students' Holistic Growth

**9.3 World Youth Day, Panama :** Ms. Jesvita, the National Convenor participated in the pilgrimage of World Youth Day 2019.

**9.4 Taize Pilgrimage:** Mr. Ebin Navis, former NEXCO and national volunteer in 2018 went to Taize as a volunteer for three months.

**9.5 World Youth Parliament :** Ms. Jesvita(NP) & Ms. Rachel (NS) participated in the World Youth Parliament which in Beijing, China from August 4th – 13th , 2017.

## **10. Programs- IYCS- ASIA**

### **10.1 The Special Asian Session**

The Special Asian Session on the theme: "Protecting Our Common Home; Students Taking Action to Protect Creation and Build Sustainable Peace" was held from 13-19 March 2017 at the Bukal ng Tipan, Mary Hill, Taytay, Rizal, Philippines. The training session was part of the IYCS Global Campaign project which is providing significant funds to bring participants together. This was a special session called to discuss about the next Asian Council. Mr. Jimmy Pdang and Fr. Chetan attended this special session.

### **10.2 iCAFE - Chaplains & Animators Formation & Exchange:**

The Chaplains and Animators Formation and Exchange programme was held at Nonthaburi, Thailand from 7th March to 15th March 2018. Delegates from nine Asian and African countries participated in this Exchange Programme. From India Fr. Anil D'Sa, Sr. Lidwin, Fr. Ronald Veigas and Mr. Jimmy Pdang along with the national Chaplain participated in the iCAFE.

### **10.3 The XIII IYCS Asian Session & Council**

The 13th IYCS Asian Session and Council was organised in Taiwan. The National Chaplain along with two youth represented India at this Session. There were delegates, from 10 YCS National Movements in Asia discussed on the theme “Students moved by Faith towards Education of Heart & Environment” and prepared an action plan. Mr Jimmy Pdang, former National Convenor from Jowai diocese was elected as Asian team member during the session.

### **11. Animations, Visits & Consultation:**

One of our main and effective methods of orientation and animation is visitation. Visiting the cells and units in schools and parishes, dioceses and regions; meeting the students, leaders, animators, parents, chaplains/directors and the diocesan and regional teams; conducting sessions, training, seminars and participating in the general Body Meetings, consultations and planning, do strengthen and revitalize the Movement at every level. Hence, the National Chaplain, Coordinator, National Students team, Team of Animators regularly undertake this program.

The visit brings a new life to the cells and the students. It is the golden chance for the members to meet, share, reflect, interact, plan and evaluate with the national representatives and the national chaplain. A good linkage between the national body and the members at grass root level. We also appreciate the EXCOS who visit their diocesan units along with their Regional Chaplains.

The National Director regularly visits various regions and dioceses whenever there is any program. Sometimes he may be called for the program and some other time he may visit on his own. The importance of the visit is to strengthen, revive & encourage the good work that is being done in the movement.

The National Chaplain has visited, the North East Region six times for various training programmes. During these visites he conducted training programmes and attended conventions, sessions held in the region. He has also visited Shimoga, Mangalore, Udupi in Karnataka region, Bhopal, Khandwa in MP region, Chennai in TN region, Jamshedpur in Jharkhand region, Nagpur in MG region, Goa region, Kolkata in WB region, Hyderabad and Eluru in AP region, Delhi in Northern region.

Fr. Chetan Machado, after taking over, visited MP region, Karnataka, Northeast and West Bengal and Telugu regions other than his regular visits to Chennai office.

Sr. Lidwin and Fr. Anil have visited many dioceses and trained students during this period. Both of them joined in 2018 and since then they have been contributing a lot towards training the young students. During these visits, they have met a number of students, animators, Directors and Local Ordinaries, appreciated and encouraged them for what they are doing and pleaded them to revitalize where our movement is in a dormant stage. The effect is seen in many of the dioceses and hope it will flourish in the years to come.

**12. Formation Programmes:** Regular training programmes are very essential at different levels. Those who come for the National or Inter Regional Programmes should have already attended some diocesan/regional level training programs which will help us to give them deeper inputs.

#### **12.1. National Student Leaders Training Program (NSLTP)**

Twice a year, the National Student Leaders Training Program was organized for the English and the Hindi speaking regions separately. During the last Council it was suggested to have one NSLTP as the numbers have been dwindling.

### **2016**

#### **National Students Leadership Training Programme –English**

The National Students Leadership Training Programme for the English speaking regions was organised 1st October 2016 to 7th October 2016. Delegates from Karnataka, Andhra, Tamilnadu and North East regions participated in this training programme which was held at Jyotirmai Centre, Secunderabad, Regional Pastoral Centre of Telugu Region. Thirty five students participated in this training

#### **National Students Leadership Training Programme –Hindi**

YCS/YSM India National Student Leaders Training Programme in Hindi was organized at Sahoday Sr. Sec. School, New Delhi from 9th October 2016 to 13th October 2016. Forty five students and eight animators from three Hindi speaking regions participated in this training programme. Fifty three students participated in this training.

## **2017**

### **National Students Leadership Training Programme –Hindi**

National Students leadership training Program (Hindi) for the year 2017 was organised from 17-21 November 2017 at the Pastoral Centre, Nagpur. During the programme students were trained in YCS/YSM methodology, review of life, spirituality. Sessions were based on the theme, ‘agents of connectivity’. Students were sent for exposure visit on the first day. They were given ample opportunities to showcase their leadership skills. There were workshops, group discussions and presentations. Students from MG and Delhi regions participated in this programme. Twenty five students participated in this training

### **National Students Leadership Training Programme –English**

National Students Leadership Training Programme (English) for the year 2017 was conducted at Inspiration, Joypur, Guwahati from 17th December to 21st December 2017.

During the programme, students were trained in YCS/YSM methodology, review of life and spirituality. Sessions were based on the theme, ‘agents of connectivity’. Students were sent for exposure visit on the second day. They were given ample opportunities to showcase their leadership skills. There were workshops, group discussions, and presentations. There were over hundred students who benefited from this programme.

## **2018**

### **National Students Leadership Training Programme –English**

The YCS /YSM India organized a National Students’ Leadership Training Programme and National Animators’ Training from November 5 to 10. Seventy five students and twenty animators participated in this programme.

### **Responses from Students:**

Every year when students attend this training programme, they go back with new enthusiasm and vigour. They are happy to learn more about this movement and want to become part of it. Students feel belonged and pledge to do more and spread the movement in their schools. They learn about cell meeting which is very important for the movement.

### **12.2. Trainings for Animators on Thrusts of the National Theme:**

#### **National Animators Training Programme (NATP) 2016**

National Animators Training Programme (NATP) was held from 1-7

September 2016 at Universal Solidarity Movement(USM), Indore-MP. There were eight participants for the programme. The training was organized by the National office in collaboration with Fr. Varghese Alengaden, USM founder, Fr. Jacob and Ms. Neetu Joshi USM staff.

### **National Animators Training Programme – Mangalore 2018**

The National Animators Training programme was held in Mangalore from 5th November to 10th November 2018. In the year 2018 NATP was held along with NSLTP. Sessions were held separately to train the animators. Fourteen animators participated in this training. Twenty animators participated in this training.

Responses from the Animators: Animators wanted to have a longer training programme. They felt that having training for small groups is more effective. Most of the animators expressed that they were unaware of the methodology and cell meeting of YCS. After attending the training they also expressed their desire to have such trainings in the regions and frequently.

**12.3. Regional / Diocesan Programs:** A number of Diocesan and Regional programs have been organized. Every bit of the effort has gone through in building up a new society. We salute the Directors who have gone out of the way to collect resources and organize these programs. The National Chaplain and coordinators along with NEXCOs have visited most of the regions and conducted sessions for students and animators.

### **13. YCS/YSM & CCBI – Youth Commission**

YCS/YSM as a NCO (National Catholic Organization) is under CCBI Commission for Youth. Whenever we get an opportunity to participate in WYD, AYD, Taize Pilgrimage, National Youth Convention etc. we do so. The Bishop in charge of the Commission for Youth, Most Rev Soosai Nazarene plays a vital role in the life and work of the Movement. He also guides us in our project proposals.

We are regular in introducing YCS to the new DYDs, Religious and Animators during ACT program organized at Bangalore every year by the Youth Commission.

### **14. Participation & Collaboration with partner movements:**

In our aim to achieve our goals we need to work collectively, independently, and orderly. We believe in collaboration for effective results. YCS/

YSM India works more closely with the like- minded movements. We exchange our newsletter and resource materials. For the past few years the connection has been found missing and YCS India has taken the initiative of inviting two delegates from the student movements: ICYM, Mijarc and AICUF for this National Council.

### **13.1 World Youth Parliament, Beijing 2017**

The World Youth Parliament (WYP) is a permanent international forum of dialogue for youth. The WYP proposes a fascinating/ clear challenge: promoting dialogue to make decisions and to discover concrete ways to restore our wounded humanity. Year 2017 edition of the WYP reflected on one of the decisive chapters in human relations: forgiveness. This world-wide meeting took place in Beijing (China), from August 6 to 11, 2017.

Given the importance of the theme, so strongly argued by the Church during the recent Year of Mercy, YCS/YSM India decided to send some catholic students who may feel interested on the topic and may decide to form new local chapters of the WYP. Fr. Chetan, National Secretary lead a delegation of students from India representing YCS/YSM India. Eleven students from different regions along with four animators attended this programme.

**14. Our Social concern:** Many movements at unit level partake in the local social events. National office guides them, sends intimation to them and supports them in this process.

### **15. Alumni, Former animators & Chaplains:**

Our movement has been a guiding light throughout its existence and still continues to do so. Many of the members who have been a part of the Movement in the past have truly realized its essence. They continue to be associated with the Movement by their assistance as animators, resource persons, correspondence etc. The Movement has helped them to be an inspiration and a model to the society. We are glad to say that the former YCS/YSMers have been a part of the Movement in its struggle and achievements.

During the National Consultation of Diocesan Youth Secretaries, all the regional and diocesan chaplains were invited. Ms. Jesvita Quadras also attended the consultation Programme. During this meeting many concerns faced by the movement were addressed. This meeting was held in Ajmer in 2018.

## **16. National Office**

The National Office is situated in 25, Rosary Church Road, Santhome, Chennai. In 2015 we moved to Delhi and presently our working office is in Delhi at Yusuf Sadan, 1 - Ashok Place, New Delhi from where, the National Coordination is carried out.

The persons in the National Office are:

- |                      |                        |
|----------------------|------------------------|
| Fr. Chetan Machado   | – National Chaplain    |
| Sr. Lidwin Fernandes | – National Coordinator |
| Fr. Anil D'Sa        | – National Coordinator |

## **17. Observations; Recommendations & Suggestions:**

1. It is the duty and responsibility of all the YCS members to keep up the identity of the Movement in today's world.
2. Able, responsible and dedicated students should be elected as EXCOS who would extend their service for the whole term.
3. The Chaplains need to take the responsibility of selecting and guiding the EXCOS.
4. Need to work with like minded Movements and NGO's in raising special issues at all levels.
5. There is an urgent need for full-timers and National Coordinator.
6. DTA/DTS (DEXCO) and RTA/RTS (REXCO) should be formed in all the Regions and have regular meetings.
7. The New theme should reach down to the grass root level soon after the Council.
8. Constitution has to be followed in letter and spirit.
9. It needs to be translated in vernacular and made available to all the members when they join the movement with membership fees.
10. Resource material on National theme and thrusts, and other resources for cell meetings have to be provided by the Regions and Diocesan offices at the beginning of the academic year.
11. A lot of exposure needs to be arranged for the members.
12. Subscription to the Search should be promoted.

## **18. New Coordinators and EXCOs:**

Sr. Lidwin Fernandes UFS joined the National Office as National Coordinator in 2018. Fr. Anil D'Sa who is helping the national Youth Commission also is part of the team. Both of them along with NEXCOs visit regions and conduct training programmes.

**19. In gratitude:**

1. We are grateful to Most rev. Franco Mulakkal, former Charman and Most Rev. Nazarene Soosai the Chairman of CCBI Commission for Youth, for their support, guidance and encouragement.
2. To all the other Regional Chairmen Bishops, Bishops, Religious superiors for supporting and encouraging more Chaplains and Animators to commit themselves for this cause.
3. The funding agencies, for their support to the ministry, programs for the development and formation of the students. They are Caritas India, Missio and Missio Munchen and other funding agencies.
4. The committed Animators, Regional chaplains, Diocesan directors, Coordinators, Parish Priests and Heads of the institutions and others involved in the movement for their interest, care and concern for the welfare of the students.
5. The parents of YCS/YSM students who have allowed to involve their children and trusted them in the movement.
6. To the Asian and International Team members, collaborator movements, well wishers for their role of solidarity and encouragement in our reflections and actions.

Finally, to Our Lord who has been guiding and walking along with us in this long journey. These three years have been a time of opportunities to learn more, mature, grow and experience Team life and life's reality and face challenges that come our way. These years have been the wonderful years in our lives and the experiences are long lasting.

We are grateful to our National Chaplain - Fr. Chetan Machado without whom we would have never become somebody, all the NTA/ExcOs and others who have supported, been with us and guided us through these three years.

**Thank you all for helping us to help ourselves and to help others to build the New and Just Society – God's Kingdom.**

Let YCS light Shine. Long live YCS/YSM India!

*Raichel Patricia, Secretary & Fr. Chetan Machado, National Chaplain*



# REGIONAL REPORTS

## KARNATAKA REGIONAL REPORT

Region: KARNATAKA YEAR: JUNE 2016 – MAY 2019  
 No of Dioceses: 14 (Latin-10, Syro Malabar-3, Syro Malankara-1)  
 No of Dioceses YCS/YSM Present: 5 No of Units: 275  
 Total No of Members: 6186  
 Total No of Animators: 386  
 No of New Cells/ Units: 64

### PROGRAMS CONDUCTED IN THE REGIONAL LEVEL:

#### 1. Regional General Body Meeting:

Held in Chitradurga in the month of September, 2017

#### 2. Regional Consultants

- i. Diocesan Chaplains
  - Rev. Fr. Ronald Veigas, DYD Diocese of Shimoga
  - Rev. Fr. Roshan, DYD Diocese of Belgaum
- ii. Full Timers/ Coordinators
  - Sr. Irene Tauro, Mangalore: 2015-2017
  - Sr. Jessy Rita, Mangalore:

#### 3. Other Programs:

- REXCO Livin programme held in Bangalore in the month of Sept. 2016
- Participated in the NSLTP in Hyderabad in 2016
- Regional Council held in Chitradurga in the month of September 2017.
- Regional Livin programme in Bangalore in the month of October 2017
- Region participated in the II National Convention held in Kolkata in 2017.
- REXCO meet in Mangalore in July, 2018
- NSLTP and NATP 2018: Organized in the diocese of Mangalore in the month of November 2018, with 72 participants from 4 regions.
- Regional Council held in Bangalore in the month of December 2018.

#### Regional Visits to Dioceses:

	Role	Year	Cells/ units	Dioceses
1.	RYD Fr Anil Dsa	2017		5
2.	NEXCO Clacious	2016-19	5	4
3.	NEXCO Jesvita	2016-17	8	3
		2017-18	9	4
		2018-19	4	3

**DIOCESAN LEVEL REGULAR PROGRAMS: (both YCS and YSM)**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Diocese</b>	<b>When</b>
Animators Training/ Meet	Mangalore, Shimoga, Udupi, Bangalore, Gulbaraga	June, July
Unit Office Bearers Training, DEXCO Election	Mangalore, Shimoga, Udupi, Bangalore, Gulbarga	January, June, July
Beginners Training Camp	Mangalore, Shimoga, Udupi, Bangalore	July – September, November
Spiritual Camp/ Retreat/ Seminars/ Inter religious gathering	Shimoga, Udupi, Mangalore	August/ September/ October/February
Talent Exposure	Mangalore, Shimoga, Udupi	November – January
Village Exposure Camps	Mangalore, Shimoga, Udupi	April
Leadership Training	Shimoga, Bangalore	August
DEXCO Live in Program	Mangalore, Shimoga, Udupi	July/August
Life Skill Camps	Mangalore, Udupi, Shimoga, Gulbaraga	July, October
Taize Prayer Service	Shimoga	February
Christmas celebration, competition	Shimoga	December
Sports meet	Shimoga	
Addressing seminarians and 10th students about YCS YSM	Mangalore	October
Visited Bishop	Mangalore	July
Youth way to cross	Udupi	
Animators Out reach programme	Udupi	September
Regular visits to schools, units to expand the movement	Mangalore, Gulbarga, Bangalore	Throughout the year

**DIOCESAN LEVEL SPECIAL PROGRAMS:**

<b>Programme</b>	<b>Diocese</b>	<b>When</b>
Mercy day celebration	Mangalore	September 2016
DEXCO Alumni Meet	Udupi	January 2017 & 18
YSM residential workshop	Mangalore	October 2016
YCS Devotional CD released	Mangalore	November 2016
Live discussion on local channel regarding YCS YSM	Mangalore	July 2017
Diocesan Convention	Shimoga, Mangalore, Gulbarga	January, October, November
Christmas celebration	Shimoga, Bangalore	December
Gathering of Migrant youth	Shimoga	February
Health awareness programme in prison	Shimoga	April
Blind walk on world vision day	Shimoga	October
Inauguration of youth help desk	Shimoga, Mangalore	April
Share care September	Mangalore	September
Regular school visits by DTS	Bangalore	September-October
Youth way to the cross	Udupi	April

**INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Diocese</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Where</b>	<b>When</b>
Roshan Lobo	Mangalore	World Youth Day World Youth Parliament	Poland Beijing, China	July 16 Aug 17
Jesvita Quadras	Mangalore	World Youth Parliament IYCS Asia Council World Youth Day	Beijing, China Taiwan Panama	Aug 17 July 18 Jan 19
Sonia Nazareth	Shimoga	Taize Pilgrimage	Hong Kong	Aug. 18
Nishal B.	Shimoga	Taize Pilgrimage	Hong Kong	Aug. 18
Stephen Lobo	Shimoga	Taize Pilgrimage	Hong Kong	Aug. 18

Balraj Jayashilan	Shimoga	-Taize Pilgrimage	Hong Kong	Aug.18
Fr. Ronald Veigas	Shimoga	-Taize Pilgrimage	Hong Kong	Aug.18
Fr. Anil Dsa	Reg. Chap.	Global Training Session	Jordan	2017
		Asian Café	Thailand	2017
		Taize pilgrimage	Hong Kong	2018
Sr. Sagaya Rani	Bangalore	Global Training Session	Rome	2018

#### **Strengths of the Regional Movement:**

1. Annual plan of the Region and Diocese
2. Regular programs in the dioceses
3. Increase in units and cells every year

#### **Challenges Faced in the Region:**

1. Regional Meetings/Trainings etc, too expensive to attend.
2. Response to the Region is very poor.
3. No projects and no financial support from anywhere.
4. No Regional Chaplain.
5. Lack of interest from the Regional Chairman towards the movement.
6. Lack of ownership of the movement by the leaders.
7. Absence of cell meetings and proper understanding of the methodology.

#### **Future Regional Programs:**

1. Regular regional meetings.
2. Planned diocesan visits and diocese programs.
3. To start new units in other dioceses where YCS YSM does not exist

Date: 28th April, 2019

Place: Mangalore

Jesvita Princy Quadras  
National EXCO



## MADHYA PRADESH REGIONAL REPORT

### YCS MP REGIONAL REPORT(2016-2019)

Region: Madhya Pradesh Regional Youth Commission

No of Units: Bhopal 22, Indore 12, Khandwa 16, Jhabua 12, and Gwalior 9 and

Total: 71

Total No of Members: Bhopal: Boys: 250      Girls: 300      Total: 550

Indore : Boys: 155      Girls: 95      Total: 250

Khandwa: Boys: 235      Girls: 165      Total: 400

Jhabua: Boys: 70      Girls: 80      Total: 150

Gwalior: Boys 75      Girls: 125      Total : 200

Total No of Animators: 71

No of New Cells: 71

Total Number of Diocese: 10 ( 7 Latin Rite and 3 Syrian Rite)

PROGRAMS CONDUCTED IN THE REGIONAL LEVEL:

**1. Regional Executive Committee Meet:**

- December 6, 2016, Prerana Sadan, Indore Diocese
- January 30-31, 2017, Pastoral Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese
- December 15-16, 2018 in Divine Retreat Centre, Kolar – Archdiocese of Bhopal

**2. Regional General Body Meeting:**

- Feb., 15-16, 2016, AICUF, Ashram, Bhopal Archdiocese
- March 17-18, 2017 Pastoral Centre, Khandwa Diocese
- Feb., 15-16, 2019 , Divine Retreat Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese

**3. Regional Animators Training Program:**

- October 3-4, 2016 AICUF Ashram, Bhopal Archdiocese
- November 21, 2017, St. Joseph Coed- School, Asha Niketan, Bhopal
- April 27-29, 2018, Divine Retreat Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese
- December 15-16, 2018, Divine Retreat Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese

**4. Regional Consultations:**

i. Diocesan Chaplains:

- Fr. Sumit Tahir, Indore Diocese
- Fr. Laijo Poonoly, Khandwa Diocese
- Fr. Sonu, Jhabua Diocese
- Fr. Pratap Toppo, Gwalior Diocese
- Fr. Alexander Jesudasan, Bhopal Archdiocese
- ii. Full timers / Coordinators: Mary Roshini (Bhopal Archdiocese) Ravi Xess (Gwalior Archdiocese)

**5. Regional Students Leaders Training Program:**

- November 14-15, 2016, AICUF Ashram, Bhopal Archdiocese (Five

- Dioceses Students including Nagpur Diocese participated
  - July 17-18, 2017, Pastoral Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese
  - July 7-8, 2018, Divine Retreat Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese
  - December 15-16, 2018, Divine Retreat Centre, Bhopal Archdiocese
- 6. National/ Regional Theme Based Program:**  
MP Regional YCS Delegates, Mary Roshni, Ravi Xess and Fr. Alexander participated in all National Meetings and Programs from 2015 to 2019.
- 7. Other Programs if any:**  
Visiting of five Dioceses of MP by Fr. Alexander, Mary and Ravi namely, Khandwa, Indore, Jhabua, Gwalior and Bhopal and conducting orientation programs in promotion of YCS Movement. Preaching Retreat and taking motivational classes for the school students and Parish teenagers in all five dioceses. Newly election conducted for YCS Jhabua nd Bhopal Dioceses. So much interest is there for YCS and hope to organize many more camps and seminars with workshop and leadership trainings.

	Role	Date/ Month	No of Cells/ Units Visited	Dioceses Visited
1	Regional Chaplain	7-8 July 2018 19 August 2018 2-3 Sept. 2018 29-30 October	22 12 + 12 12 9	Bhopal Indore Jhabua Gwalior
2	NEXCO	2-3 Sept. 2018 30 Sept. 2018	12 9	Jhabua Gwalior
3	Regional Coordinator/ Reg. Full timer	July to December	22	Bhopal

#### **DIOCESAN LEVEL PROGRAMS:**

- In Bhopal Archdiocese**, every month gathering of YCS Dexcos and visiting the parishes for the promotion. Orientation on YCS fresher to know the movement better. Summer Camp every year also annual Teenagers Retreat every year to foster the spirituality of teenagers. Charity days are being organized.
- In Indore Diocese**, regular motivational classes being organized for zonals YCSers, Sports evnts, talents hunts, and Dance and other competitions are organized. Annual Retreat to foster the spirituality is beimg organized. USM organizes animators training program.

3. **In Khandwa Diocese**, visiting the parish units are undertaken also appointing the animators is done.
4. **Gwalior Diocese:** Once in three months all the units' students come together for motivational classes and participate in the annual Retreat for teenagers.
5. **Jhabua Diocese:** 12 parishes YCS students are trained for the promotion of YCS units. YCS First election is done. Training program is organized.

#### **Strengths of the Regional Movement:**

1. Number of students in Parishes as well as in the schools is available for YCS Programs.
2. This is Mission Region, things are updated
3. Diocesan Youth Directors are active and they have more interest in promoting YCS.

#### **Challenges Faced in the Region:**

1. Busy Schedules of Chaplains delays the growth of YCS
2. Students are not able to participate in their own, we are compelling
3. Financial Resources are insufficient

#### **Future Regional Programs:**

1. Promotion of YCS Movement in Jabalpur and Udaipur Dioceses
2. Activating Diocesan Dexcos through Leadership training
3. Regional level YCS Convention
4. Visit to the units of active dioceses
5. Regional YCS Team with an Animator and Coordinator will commit to promote YCS in our Region

#### **Transfers/ Appointment:**

1. Fr. Laijo is appointed as YCS Chaplain in Khandwa Diocese

Date: April 21

Place: YCS Office, MP Region, Bhopal Archdiocese.

Regional Chaplain  
Fr. Alexander Jesudasan

National EXCOS :  
Mary Roshini and Ravi Xess

(Seal)



## AGRA/UP REGIONAL REPORT

Greetings and salutations to you all in the sweet and precious name of Christ, our Redeemer and Immaculate Mother Mary!

We are brimming with pleasure and joy to present before you our Triennial Progress Report which gives a kaleidoscopic and panoramic view of the gamut of activities conducted ever since the XVII National Council held in Greater Noida.

Situated in the historic town of Jhansi, Christ the King College is an Anglo Indian School founded in 1940 by the Maltese Fathers, presently run by the Catholic Diocese of Jhansi Education Society and is sustained by His Lordship Most Rev. Peter Parapullil, the Bishop of Jhansi.

It is heartening to say that ours is the only college in the Diocese/UP region where the YCS/YSM movement is run with all vigour and vitality.

Our esteemed Principal Rev. Fr. Richard A. (Diocesan Youth Director) introduced this movement and he has been the beacon of light for all of us. He ensures that our students are given a good exposure and a learning experience that leads to the formation of a responsible citizen of this country.

Name of the College & Unit: Christ the King College Jhansi UP 284001

Logo- Corona Non Sine Labore (Latin) meaning No Crown without Labour

Theme song- Christ the King College Lord we ask You to guide.....(College Anthem)

Number of Units- 01

Number of cells- 10 (six students in a cell)

Number of members- Approximately 60 students

**Orientation at the Regional Level-** Conducted by Sister Lidwin and Sister Darshana

**Activities-** There are many activities conducted at our college for all the students to churn out the best in them. YCS/YSM members participate actively and are always appreciated.

Sr.	Activities/ Events
01.	YCS/YSM Democratic Elections
02.	YCS/YSM Day Celebrations
03.	YCS/YSM Monthly Devotional Assembly
04.	YCS/YSM Paper Bags Making

05.	YCS/YSM Cleanliness Drive
06.	YCS/YSM Plantation Drive
07.	YCS/YSM Inter Cell Debate
08.	YCS/YSM Inter Cell Elocution
09.	YCS/YSM Group Dance
10.	YCS/YSM National Festivals
11.	YCS/YSM St. Jude's Shrine Performance
12.	YCS/YSM Exposure Visit
13.	YCS/YSM Collage Making
14.	YCS/YSM Christmas Programme
15.	YCS/YSM Friendly Match
16.	YCS/YSM Essay Writing
17.	YCS/YSM solo Dance
18.	YCS/YSM Art Competition
19.	YCS/YSM SUPW
20.	YCS/YSM Eucharistic Mass Celebration

#### **Achievements-**

1. Master Jeris Joseph from New Delhi was selected as the National Treasurer is definitely our achievement.
2. We are able to run this movement successfully at our college; both parents and teachers have begun to acknowledge us, is something good.
3. An effort was made by the National Coordinator Sr. Lidwin Fernandes to visit 14 Schools in the Diocese of Ajmer along with their in charge. She met 4000 students and inspired them to choose always right than wrong.
4. Bareilly is the Third Diocese that we succeeded to spread the YCS/YSM. Because of the interest of Most Rev. Ignatius D'Souza we could visit 23 schools and 7 schools attended the 2nd phase of training programme. Today the Movement is just one year old in the dioceses of Bareilly.

**Our Limitation-** We have yet not taken the movement to other schools/colleges of Jhansi Diocese because not everyone is willing to initiate such a Student Movement. Request Letters were written but no response was received.

#### **Our Challenges-**

- ▶▶ We have more students from other religious background and faith, YSM is more prominent than YCS especially at our college.
- ▶▶ Sometimes our Christian children shy away from such activities, sometimes academic activities overshadow such vital and progressive movement.

- » Owing to other college responsibilities, sometimes we do not get sufficient time to conduct various meaningful events. The time tables and schedules are really very busy.
- » Sometimes, it's a real challenge to convince the concerned parents for religious activities like Prayer services or Exposure visits etc.
- » At times, it is very difficult to conduct the cell meetings due to examinations or regular classes. (We do not want the students to miss out any lectures.)

**In the news-** YCS/YSM unit activities of our college (Jhansi) are always published in the leading newspaper which is something remarkable and praiseworthy. (A part of our thrust MEDIA & ME.)

**Active Participation-**

- » XVII National Council Greater Noida
- » National Convention Calcutta
- » National Students Leadership Training Programme New Delhi

**Our humble contribution to the YCS/YSM Souvenirs-**

Booked the last Back Cover (outside) for the XVII Council published.

Booked the last Back Cover (outside) for this year's XVIII Council. (Yet to be published.)

**Animators-**

- For the smooth running of this life changing movement in Jhansi we have three animators working in collaboration and conduct regular session on every Wednesday and Saturday. They are
  - Primary Wing- Mr. Oscar Francis
  - Middle Wing- Mr. Embirick Savio Francis
  - Senior Wing- Mr. Samson Singh
- We have one each animator in all the schools of Bareilly Diocese. Fr. Francis Pinto the Diocesan Chaplain gives equal importance to nurture the Movement

Long Live YCS/YSM, our sweet Movement



**“Our greatest weakness lies in giving up. The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time.” –**

*-Thomas A. Edison*

## NORTHERN REGIONAL REPORT

REGION: NORTHERN YEAR: JUNE 2016 – MAY 2019

No of Dioceses: 4

No of Dioceses YCS/YSM Present: 1

No of Units:- 15

Total No of Members: Boys: -840 Girls: -680 Total: -1520

Total No of Animators: - 16

No of New Cells/ Units: - 4

(YCS) Programmes and Activities:

### National Programmes:

Date	Programme	Venue	Partici- pants
16- 22 May 2016	Formation session & YCS/YSM national council	YMCA, Greater Noida	9
13-15 June 2016	Nta/Excós live in programme	Udupi, Karnataka	3
9-14 October 2016	National students leadership training programme	Delhi	53
27-28 Dec,16	Nta/Excós meeting	Kolkata	3
20-21 May 17	Nta/Excós meeting	Kolkata	2
22-26 May 17	2nd national council	Kolkata	18
17- 22 December 2017	National students leadership training programme	Guwahati	5
27- 28 Dec,17	Nta/Excós meeting	Indore	2
27- 31 December 2017	Silver jubilee, knit programme	USM Indore	2
14-16 June 2018	Nta/Excós live in programme	NBCLC,Bangalore	3
17-18 Jun,18	Nta/Excós meeting	Chennai	3
5-10 November 2018	National students leadership training programme	Mangalore	10

## Diocesan Programme

Date	Programme	Venue	Participants
15-19 Jun,16	YCS/YSM summer camp	Sahoday	52
11 Nov, 16	Jamboree- an introduction to YCS/YSM	St. Michael's School	300
17 Jun, 17	Evaluation day	Yusuf Sadan	14
2 July,17	Diocesan get together with IYCS secretary	Yusuf Sadan	42
20 Aug, 17	Jamboree	Sahodaya, Hauz Khas	400
12 Nov, 17	Cardijn day	Yusuf sadan	54
21 Jan, 18	Animator's training programme- certificate course in mentoring	Yusuf sadan	38
8 Apr, 18	Introductory Session	Faridabad	18
6 May,18	Introductory Session	Rohini	24
8-10 Jun18	Residential workshop	Gurgaon	26
20-24 Jun 18	YCS/YSM summer camp	Rosary School, Camp	110
19 Aug,18	Diocesan formation Session, Oath taking	Sacred Heart Cathedral	25
6 Dec,18	Introductory session	Kapashera	15
16 Dec, 18	Christmas gathering	Yusuf Sadan	43
5th Jan, 19	Diocesan Council	Yusuf Sadan	8
17 Feb, 19	Introductory session	Ayanagar	52

### Diocesan level programme and activities

1. Conducting orientations
2. Conducting workshops
3. Animators training programme
4. YCS/YSM follow up
5. Visiting parishes and schools
6. YCS/YSM animation
7. Regular YCS/YSM get togethers
8. Evaluation & planning
9. Diocesan YCS/YSM meets and planning
10. Diocesan councils

### **YCS/YSMers activities**

1. Conducting mass,school assemblies, choir
2. Visiting orphanages, homes,slums
3. Maintain discipline
4. Introducing diocesan campaign
5. Cleanliness drive

### **Strength of the movement**

- 1.Cooperation and support from authorities: Bishop chairman for youth commission, director & team,diocesan youth directors, principals, parish priests.
2. Responsible and creative student leaders

### **CHALLENGES OF THE MOVEMENT**

1. Lack of knowledge about the movement
2. Lack of dedicated animator's.
3. Lack of full time coordinators
4. Lack of funds

### **FUTURE REGIONAL PROGRAM**

1. Expansion of the movement in other diocese
2. Animators training programme
3. Ycs/ysm Orientations
4. Ycs/Ysm Workshops
5. Diocesan level programmes
6. Students leadership training programme

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Northern region has made giant efforts to make Ycs/Ysm movement grow. In spite of various challenges and problems Ycs/Ysm has been able to reach out to many new units.

There are many students who take keen interest in knowing about the movement and getting involved actively.

The movement has made great impact in the lives of students. It has helped the students to boost there confidence and built their personality. They have become more self confidence, responsible, self discipline leaders. Different programmes has enabled them to be open minded, mingle freely with different tribes,culture, castes, and languages. Cell meeting have developed their leadership qualities. The movement is able to bring positive changes in the lives of the students.



**DIOCESE OF ELURU**  
**YCS/ YSM dream evaluation programme**  
2018-19

We the youth commission R. C. Diocese, Eluru sown the seeds of spirit and soul of YCS and YSM movement in the hearts of all the teenagers incidentally or co-incidentally since past 5 years. Now the season has arrived to taste the fruits from the trees that evolved from the seeds in the past. The word of God to the evolution of kingdom of God in the hearts of all the youngsters come into practical being, through the lives of the teenagers that were transformed.

The seeds SEE, JUDGE and ACT, it eventually changing self, bringing change in others, were brought through seminars, campaigns and personal intervention by our most revered Sisters, Fathers and the animators. This has brought our YCS/YSM esteemed vision into life. The example stories case studies, that were imparted to the students came out as a real story from the lives of respective children. This follow-up was an idea but it has given us new life stories of yester children present youngsters for a new generation to come.

This follow up program has turned to a full furnished source for the YCS/YSM team, for a new beginning in the season to come, to saw the seeds of new life “A just society, the kingdom of God”. To evolve a new society, where people live in harmony, where there is total freedom for the complete growth of the individual, where each and every person is respected in dignity hence valuing peace, love, truth, justice and equality.

The support extended by the respected fathers, sisters and our Most Rev. Bishop Jaya Rao Polimera was heart warming. Our bishop’s vision for the children through YCS/YSM program to the highest edge in their lines has come into practice with our work in obedience through his vision unhindered support and guidance.

Youth commission of  
Eluru Diocese



## GOA REGIONAL REPORT

- ❖ NUMBER OF SCHOOLS: 26
- ❖ NUMBER OF ANIMATORS: 41
- ❖ NUMBER OF MEMBERS: 431

DATE	PROGRAM	PARTICIPANTS	OBJECTIVE	VENUE
26/6/18	Inaugural Meet	431 Students 26 Schools 33 Animators	Initiating the young into the YCS/YSM family	Goa
14-16 June	NEXCO Live-in	1 Animator 1 NEXCO	Growth of YSM	Bangalore
6th Sept 7th Sept	Cluster Meet North Cluster Meet South	North Schools South Schools	Cell growth	
23 –25 Nov	YCS/YSM Camp	61 Students 20 Schools 16 Animators	Formation Fellowship Spirituality Service	Goa
5th -10th Nov	NSLTP	10 students 4 Animators		Mangalore
	Cell Meetings	School Level	Grow in Love	Goa



**“You’ve got to get up every morning with determination if you’re going to go to bed with satisfaction.”**

*– George Lorimer*

## TAMILNADU REGIONAL REPORT

Sl.	Date	Programs (YCS/YSM Events)	Venue	Participation
<b>NATIONAL LEVEL EVENTS</b>				
1	16.05.2016	17th National Council	Delhi	20
2	14.08.2016	NEXCO/Live-in	Udupi	2
3	15.08.2016	1st NTA/EXCO	Udupi	2
4	01.10.2016 06.10.2016	1st NSLTP	Hyderabad	3
5	28.12.2016	2nd NTA/EXCO	Kolkata	2
<b>2017</b>				
6	18.05.2017 20.05.2017	3rd NTA/EXCO	Kolkata	4
7	26.05.2017	National convention	Kuzhithurai	20
8	27.10.2017 29.10.2017	National youth conference CCBI	Kerala	2
9	28.12.2017 29.12.2017	4th NTA/EXCO	Indore	2
<b>2018</b>				
10	14.06.2018 16.06.2018	2nd Live-in	Bangalore	2
11	17.06.2018 18.06.2018	5th NTA/EXCO	Chennai	7
13	05.11.2018 10.11.2018	5th NSLTP	Mangalore	13
<b>2019</b>				
16	11.01.2019 12.01.2019	6th NTA/EXCO	Goa	2
<b>Regional Report</b>				
1	28.07.2018	General body meeting	Poondi	75

2	24.09.2018 25.09.2018	Leadership training	Trichy	38
3	05.11.2018 10.11.2018	NSLTP Meeting	Mangalore	13
4	29.07.2016 30.06.2016	General body meeting	Coimbatore	56
5	28.01.2017 29.01.2017	General body meeting	Madurai	12
6	08.10.2016	Golden Jubilee ycs/ysm- Celebration	Tanjore	650
<b>Dioceses report:</b>				
<b>Chennai</b>				
1	30.07.2018 31.07.2018	Leadership training	Chennai	124
2	23.11.2018	Solidarity Day	Chennai	750
3	27.09.2018 30.09.2018	village exposure camp	Arappakkam	40
4	23.02.2019	cultural events	Chennai	115
<b>Thoothukudi</b>				
1	20.07.2018	Vic-level one day orientation	Thoothukudi	266
2	06.07.2018	Vic-level one day orientation	Thiruchandur	111
3	03.08.2018	Vic-level one day orientation	Sathaanku- lam	163
4	10.03.2018	Vic-level one day orientation	Valliur	116
5	08.03.2019	cultural program	Alanthalai	263
6	10.10.2018	Diocese level competition	Thoothukudi	294
7	26.02.2019	politics Awareness program	Alanthalai	180
<b>Salem</b>				
1	25.06.2018	One day orientation program	Salem	560
		Trichy		
1	07.10.2016	Diocese level jubilee	Trichy	156
2	07.09.2018	oneday orientation for Guide teachers	Trichy	43

3	05.02.2019	Generalbody meeting	Trichy	71
		Pondy-Cuddalore		
1	06.10.2018	Generalbody meeting	Thendivanam	98
2	12.09.2018	Vic-level oneday Orientation	Vikravandi	64
<b>Chengalpattu</b>				
1	18.11.2018	Skill development program	Chengalpattu	1200
<b>Kuzhithurai</b>				
1	25.03.2019	Carrer guidance & Political awarness	Kuzhthurai	68
<b>Kottar- Diocese</b>				
1	02.09.2018	Vic level Meeting	Culachal	55
2	07.10.2018	Home visit for cancer patient	Muttam	49
3	21.10.2018	Cultutal events	Culachal	74
<b>Madurai-Diocese</b>				
1	22.06.2018	General body Meeting	Madurai	42
2	01.11.2018	Cardijn Birthday Events	Kodaikanal	36
3	08.11.2018	Cardijn Birthday Events	Batlegundu	44
4	09.11.2018	Cardijn Birthday Events	Royappan-patti	41
5	09.11.2018	Cardijn Birthday Events	Srivillipudur	60
<b>Sivagangai- Diocese</b>				
1	27.02.2019	General body meeting & competition	Sivagangai	240

#### **General Activities of YCS/YSM:-**

1. Animating the Teachers and students to make sure the knowledge and follow up on YCS/YSM.
2. Regional REXCO Training programs for Animators and Students.
3. Students orientation programs in Diocesan Levels .
4. Visiting the Schools and strengthening the movements in Units/Cells.
5. Cultural Events and Competition in Diocesan Level to bring students together for an exposure and exchange of culture.

**Strength of the Movement:-**

1. Enthusiasm and involvement of the Diocesan Directors and YCS/YSM Students.
2. Animators volunteer participation in the activities of YCS/YSM.
3. Students and animators are active in the Schools and Dioceses.

**Challenges of the Movement:-**

1. Students and Parents feeling insecure to come out of their homes and school (environment)
2. Education- Due to the Board Examinations and Revision Test- Students are given less allowance to participate both by their homes and their school levels.
3. Lack of interest to come for National and Regional levels programs.
4. Inability to support financially Diocesan level programs and Diocesan Coordinators.

**Upcoming Programs;**

1. Regional level YCS/YSM Conventional Celebration
2. Regional Level Training programs and YSM Golden Jubilee Celebration
3. Deepening of the Movements in the Diocesan and Unit Levels
4. Renewing and Introducing YCS in Parishes and YSM in schools
5. Animators Orientation in Regional Level.

**Special Events:**

01. “THUDIPPU”- HEART BEAT, a monthly magazine is revived after 24 months of being stopped. This magazine comes in the local vernacular language which contains their articles of students which includes their creative arts and experience by them from various schools and parishes.

**Participation In International Level:-**

1. Ms. Rachel Patricia. L – National Secretary of YCS/YSM India, belonging to our Region participated in “The WORLD YOUTH PARLIAMENT”, which was held from August(2017) at Beijing, China
2. She also Participated in the “INTERNATIONAL YOUNG CATHOLIC STUDENTS-GLOBAL TRAINING PROGRAM AND INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE” which was held in September(2018) at Rome, Italy .

*-Tamil Nadu Region.*



## YCS/YSM FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR 2016-2019

INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT				
Sl.	Particulars	2018-19	2017-18	2016-2017
Income		audited	audited	audited
1	Grant in Aid	-	4,77,613.00	8,42,114.00
2	Contributions	2,40,070.00	8,02,100.00	8,74,706.00
3	Interest	10,72,398.00	10,41,683.00	11,39,771.00
		13,12,468.00	23,21,396.00	28,56,591.00
Expenditure				
1	National Student LT Programme	2,59,102.00	1,04,457.00	2,73,114.00
2	National Conference	1,29,409.00	-	-
3	Animators Training Programme	-	-	-
4	Alumni Expenses	-	-	-
5	National Team Exco Meeting	1,79,489.00	42,562.00	54,023.00
6	Search Newsletter	88,940.00	1,43,699.00	66,234.00
7	Students Training Programme	2,35,275.00	1,10,840.00	2,38,689.00
8	Regional Training	-	-	44,591.00
9	National Council	-	-	13,97,357.00
10	National Coordination	2,95,442.00	3,55,964.30	4,20,261.00
11	Loss on sale of assets	-	-	
12	Depreciation	11,100.00	2,646.00	5584.00
13	National Convention	-	9,75,108.00	12,450
		<b>11,98,757.00</b>	<b>17,46,377.30</b>	<b>25,24,914.00</b>

## YCS/YSM INDIA BUDGET FOR 2019-2022

<b>INCOME</b>			
Sl.	Particulars	1YR	3YRS
1.	Membership Fee	50000	150000
2.	Contribution from the regions	25000	75000
3.	Contribution from dioceses	50000	150000
4.	Donations	300000	900000
5.	Search Subscriptions	10000	30000
6.	Registration Fee	15000	45000
7.	Projects	-	-
8.	Interest on FD's	1382460	4147380
	<b>Total</b>	<b>18,32,460</b>	<b>54,97,380</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
1.	Salaries & Wages	260000	780000
2.	Travel	120000	360000
3.	Search Newsletter (6 issues)	170000	510000
4.	Extension work & visitation	80000	240000
5.	Repair & Maintenance	50000	150000
6.	Miscellaneous	25000	75000
7.	National Student LT Programme(2)	250000	750000
8.	Interregional SLTP		1,00,000
9.	Animators Training Programme(1)	270000	810000
10.	NT meetings(2)	12000	36000
11.	NTA meetings(2)	50000	150000
12.	National Team Exco Meeting(2)	160000	480000
13.	National Council (2019)		1200000
14.	Animation & visits/consultations	50000	150000
15.	NTA/EXCO live in programme(2)	-	80000
16.	National Convention (2020)	-	1500000
17.	National Coordination	350000	10,50,000
	<b>Total</b>	<b>18,47,000</b>	<b>69,21,000</b>

Expenditure over income

14,23,620

# LITURGY



## **ORDER OF MASS**

### **THE INTRODUCTORY RITE:**

The Entrance and Greeting:

**C** : In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**A** : Amen

**C** : The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

The Priest (or another minister) may very briefly introduce the faithful to the Mass of the day.

### **PENITENTIAL ACT :**

**C** : Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins,  
and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

**All** : I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I  
have done and in what I have failed to do through my fault, through my  
fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-  
Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to  
pray for me to the Lord our God.

**C** : May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and  
bring us to everlasting life.

**A** : Amen

*A brief pause for silence follows.*

The Kyrie, eleison (Lord have mercy) Invocations follow,

**V.** Lord, have mercy

**R.** Lord, have mercy

**V.** Christ, have mercy

**R.** Christ, have mercy

**V.** Lord, have mercy

**R.** Lord, have mercy

## OR

V. Kyrie, eleison  
V. Christe, eleison  
V. Kyrie, eleison

R. Kyrie, eleison  
R. Christe, eleison  
R. Kyrie, eleison

### **The Gloria:**

Glory to God in the highest,  
And on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **LITURGY OF THE WORD**

### **First Reading:**

**R** : A reading from.....  
*[At the end of the reading]*

**R** : The word of the Lord                      **A** : Thanks be to God

### **Responsorial Psalm**

*[You can read or sing the psalm]*

## **Second Reading:**

**R** : A reading from.....  
*[At the end of the reading]*

**R** : The word of the Lord      **A** : Thanks be to God

## **Gospel acclamation**

*[All will sing the acclamation]*

**C** : The lord be with you

**A** : And with your spirit

**C** : A reading from the Holy gospel according to St.....

**A** : Glory to you O Lord

*[He reads the Gospel, at the end]*

**C** : The Gospel of Lord

**A** : Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

## **Homily**

### **The Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

*[At the words that follow, upto and including the Virgin Mary, all bow].*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting. Amen.

## **THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST**

### **Preparation of Gifts**

**C** : Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

**A** : Blessed be God for ever.

**C** : Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink.

**All:** Blssed be God for ever.

The Prayer over the Offerings

**C** : Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

The people rise and reply:

**A** : May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

*The priest, with hands extended, says the Prayer over s, and the people respond:*

**A** : Amen

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER II

**C** : The Lord be with you.

**A** : And with your spirit.

**C** : Lift up your hearts.

**A** : We lift them up to the Lord.

**C** : Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**A** : It is right and just.

**C** : It is truly right and just, our duty and our Salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, Father Most holy, through your beloved Son, Jesus Christ,  
your Word through whom you made all things,  
whom you sent as our Saviour and Redeemer,  
incarnate by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin.

Fulfilling your will and gaining for you a holy people,  
he stretched out his hands as he endured his Passion  
so as to break the bonds of death  
and manifest the resurrection.

And so, with the Angels and all the Saints  
we declare your glory,  
as with one voice we acclaim:

**A** : Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.  
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.

**C** : You are indeed Holy, O Lord,  
the fount of all holiness.  
*[With hands extended over the offerings]*

**CC** : Make holy, therefore, these gifts, we pray, by sending  
down your Spirit upon them like the dewfall,  
*[He joins his hands and makes the Sign of the Cross over the bread and the chalice together, saying:]*

so that they may become for us  
the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
At the time he was betrayed  
and entered willingly into his Passion,

*[He takes the bread and, holding it slightly raised above the altar, continues;]*

he took bread and, giving thanks, broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples, saying:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT, FOR THIS IS  
MY BODY, WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.**

*[He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it again on the paten, and genuflects in adoration.]*

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

*[He takes the chalice and, holding it slightly raised above the altar; continues;]*

he took the chalice  
and, once more giving thanks,  
he gave it to his disciples, saying:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL  
COVENANT, WHICH WILL BE POURED  
OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY FOR THE  
FORGIVENESS OF SINS.  
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.**

*[He shows the chalice to the people, places it on corporal, and genuflects in adoration.]*

**C** : The mystery of faith.

**A** : We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.

**Or**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

**Or**

Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.

**CC** : Therefore, as we celebrate the memorial of his Death and Resurrection, we offer you, Lord, the Bread of life and the Chalice of salvation, giving thanks that you have held us worthy to be in your presence and minister to you.

Humbly we pray that, partaking of the Body and Blood of Christ, we may be gathered into one by the Holy Spirit.

**C1** : Remember, Lord, your Church, spread throughout the world, and bring her to the fullness of charity, together with N. our Pope and N. our Bishop and all the clergy.

*In Masses for the Dead, the following may be added:*

Remember your servant N., whom you have called (today) from this world to yourself. Grant that he (she) who was united with your Son in a death like his, may also be one with him in his Resurrection.

**C2** : Remember also our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection, and all who have died in your mercy: welcome them into the light of your face.

Have mercy on us all, we pray, that with the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with the blessed Apostles, and all the Saints who have pleased you throughout the ages, we may merit to be coheirs to eternal life, and may praise and glorify you through your Son, Jesus Christ.

*[He takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, raising both, he says:]*

**CC** : Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

**A** : Amen.

[Then follows the Communion Rite]

### **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER III**

Celebrant: You are indeed Holy, O Lord, and all you have created rightly gives you praise, for through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, by the power and working of the Holy Spirit, you give life to all things and make them holy, and you never cease to gather a people to yourself, so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a pure sacrifice may be offered to your name.

*[With hands extended over the offerings]*

Concelebrant: Therefore, O Lord, we humbly implore you: by the same Spirit graciously make holy these gifts we have brought to you for consecration.

*[He joins his hands and makes the Sign of the (above the altar, continues:)]*

he himself took bread, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND EAT OF IT,  
FOR THIS IS MY BODY,  
WHICH WILL BE GIVEN UP FOR YOU.**

*[He shows the consecrated host to the people, places it again on the paten, and genuflects in adoration]*

In a similar way, when supper was ended,

*[He takes the chalice and, holding it slightly 1 above the altar, continues:]*

he took the chalice, and, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying:

**TAKE THIS, ALL OF YOU, AND DRINK FROM IT,  
FOR THIS IS THE CHALICE OF MY BLOOD,  
THE BLOOD OF THE NEW AND ETERNAL COVENANT,  
WHICH WILL BE POURED OUT FOR YOU AND FOR MANY  
FOR THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS.  
DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME.**

*[He shows the chalice to the people, places it on the corporal, and genuflects in adoration.]*

C : The mystery of faith.

A : We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

**Or**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,  
we proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
until you come again.

**Or**

Save us, Saviour of the world,  
for by your Cross and Resurrection  
you have set us free.

CC : Therefore, O Lord, as we celebrate the memorial of the saving Passion of your Son, his wondrous Resurrection and Ascension into heaven, and as we look forward to his second coming, we offer you in thanksgiving this holy and living sacrifice.

Look, we pray, upon the oblation of your Church and, recognizing the sacrificial Victim by whose death you willed to reconcile us to yourself, grant that we, who are nourished by the Body and Blood of your Son and filled with his Holy Spirit, may become one body, one spirit in Christ.

CI : May he make of us an eternal offering to you, so that we may obtain an inheritance with your elect, especially with the most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with your blessed Apostles and glorious Martyrs (with Saint N.: the Saint of the day or Patron Saint) and with all the Saints, on whose constant intercession in your presence we rely for unfailing help.

C2 : May this Sacrifice of our reconciliation, we pray, O Lord, advance the peace and salvation of all the world. Be pleased to confirm in faith and charity your pilgrim Church on earth, with your servant N. our Pope and N. our Bishop, the Order of Bishops, all the clergy, and the entire people you have gained for your own.

Listen graciously to the prayers of this family, whom you have summoned before you: in your compassion, O merciful Father, gather to yourself all your children scattered throughout the world.

**C3** : To our departed brothers and sisters and to all who were pleasing to you at their passing from this life, give kind admittance to your kingdom. There we hope to enjoy for ever the fullness of your glory through Christ our Lord, through whom you bestow on the world all that is good.

*[He takes the chalice and the paten with the host and, raising both, he says]*

**CC** : Through him, and with him, and in him,  
O God, almighty Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

**A** : Amen.

*Then follows the Communion Rite.*

## **THE COMMUNION RITE**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**C** : At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

**A** : Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**C** : Deliver us, Lord, we pray, from every evil, graciously grant peace in our days, that, by the help of your mercy, we may be always free from sin and safe from all distress, as we await the blessed hope and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**A** : For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

## The Rite of Peace

**C** : Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles:  
Peace I leave you, my peace I give you, look not on our  
sins, but on the faith of your Church,  
and graciously grant her peace and unity in accordance  
with your will. Who live and reign for ever and ever.

**A** : Amen.

**C** : The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**A** : And with your spirit.

*Then, if appropriate, the Deacon, or the Priest, adds:*

**C** : Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

*And all offer one another a sign, in keeping with local customs, that expresses peace.*

*The celebrant takes the host, breaks it over the paten, and places a small piece in the chalice, saying quietly:*

**C** : May this mingling of the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus  
Christ bring eternal life to us who receive it.

*Meanwhile the following is sung or said:*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION

*Then the Priest, with hands joined, says quietly:*

May the receiving of your Body and Blood, Lord Jesus Christ,  
not bring me to judgement and condemnation,  
but through your loving mercy  
be for me protection in mind and body  
and a healing remedy.

*The Priest genuflects, takes the host, and, holding it slightly raised above the paten or above the chalice, says*

**C** : Behold the Lamb of God,  
behold him who takes away the sins of the world.  
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb

**A** : Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

*After this, he takes the paten / ciborium and distributes Holy Communion. The Priest raises a host slightly and shows it to each of the communicants, saying:*

The Body of Christ.

The communicant replies: Amen.

*Communion Hymn is sung*

*[An appropriate period of sacred silence may be observed.]*

The Prayer after Communion

**C** : Let us pray.  
.. Through Christ our Lord /.. for ever and ever

**A** : Amen.



## THE CONCLUDING RITES

The Concluding Rites serve to bring the celebration to a close and remind us that we are sent forth with a mission.

*If they are necessary, any brief announcements to the prayer follow here.*

The Dismissal

**C** : The Lord be with you.  
**A** : And with your spirit.  
**C** : May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son,  
and the Holy Spirit.  
**A** : Amen.

----- Thank You -----

## INTERRELIGIOUS PRAYER

*(light a candle and sit around it. Candle signifies God's presence)*

### **Hymn:**

Reading from the Scripture

### **Bhagavad Gita**

You have a right to perform your prescribed duty, but you are not entitled to the fruits of action. Never consider yourself the cause of the results of your activities and never be attached to not doing your duty. (Chap 2 Text 47)

**Reading from the Holy Bible** “Blessed are the poor in spirit, for their’s is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” “Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. (Mathew 5:3-12)

### **Silent Prayer**

#### **Universal Prayer:**

God our friend, mother and father, may you be praised  
in your diversity of name and forms by the whole universe.  
May we experience a world guided by your values of justice,  
fraternity, equality, freedom, peace, hope and love.  
May your will be the motive force of all our dreams and actions!  
Give us our daily food for our body, mind and soul.  
Strengthen us to forget and forgive without counting the cost!

Forgive us our offences as we forgive  
those who offended us in the past.  
Bless all those who offend us now with your peace.  
Strengthen us always to stand for truth without fear and  
walk in the path of light with hope, trust, optimism and creativity!

Protect us from all evil forces and  
liberate us from hatred, despair and depression!  
Om Shanti! Om Shanti! Om Shanti!

### **Final Hymn:**

#### **5 rules to the members of YCS/YSM**

- Pray daily for peace according to one's religious tradition to be an agent of peace and reconciliation.
- Skip a meal a week to express solidarity with the hungry and contribute the savings to the poor and the needy.
- Do a good deed a day without any selfish motive to develop loving concern for the nation.
- Honour parents, teachers and all human beings
- Respect the earth and save its resources

### **Vande maataram**

*Vande maataram, vande maataram  
Sujalam, suphalam, malayaja sheetalam  
Sasya shamalam, mataram, vande mataram  
Subra jyosna pulakita yamini, kulla kusumita  
drumadula shobini  
Suhasini, sumadura bhasini  
sukadam varadam, mataram  
vande mataram, vande mataram*



## Inaugural Mass

Friday, 17th May, 2019 (NEXCO)

**Theme: Students for youthful life**

**Introduction:** The world is beautiful and it continues to create more beautiful things. When Thomas the Apostle said ‘Lord we do not know where you are going’, Jesus replied “I am the way, the truth and the life’. In the first reading we here St. Paul came to the synagogue of Antioch and said; ‘we are the witnesses to the fulfilment of what the prophets proclaimed’. The Apostles were like the flower that does not think of competing with the flower next to it but just blooms. Soon after the resurrection the youthful energy determined the apostles to go to the whole world.

**Word of God:**

Reading Acts 13: 26 -33

John 14: 1-6

**Prayers of the faithful**

Dear young friends; we are called to follow the Saviour who is our way, the truth and the life. Having made our promises to him in the sacrament of Baptism to follow his path let us now invoke his blessing on all our needs and hearts desires. **Resp.** Lord hear our prayer

1. We pray for Pope Francis, Bishops, clergy, religious and all the laity. Grant us the courage to choose the path which you tread, live the life that you lived and witness the eternal truth that which brings us eternal life. We pray to the Lord
2. India is our country and all Indians are our brothers and sisters; is the daily pledge we take in our schools. Lord we pray for every leader of our country may they know the truth of living in peace and harmony, especially by nourishing the youthfulness that exists in our country. We pray to the Lord
3. Lord we pray for our parents and teachers who always remind us our worth of living here in this beautiful world. Bless them and grant them enough energy to cope up with the daily struggles of the family and society. We pray to the Lord.
4. Lord we pray for every module that is planned for the success of the 18th YCS/YSM National Council. Bless our resource persons,

moderators, LOC and organizing committee. May they be renewed by your strength at every endeavour of their life, and strengthened when they are weak to continue your plan in us.

We pray to the Lord.

5. Lord we pray for Rev. Fr. Jose Remedios Fernandes, he has familiarized us, the way and call to walk on right path, through your word, body and blood. May he cherish your friendship and many more blessings in his daily life. We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** God our Father, you are ever gracious and your care for us exceeds our expectations for in Jesus your son you show us the path that leads to eternal life. Help us to understand wisely the ways of uniting our youthfulness in bringing glory to your name; we make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Saturday, 18th May, 2019**  
**(Goa-Karnataka Regions)**

**Theme: Students for religious harmony**

**Introduction:** Religious harmony in India is a concept that indicates that there is love, affection among different religions of India. The Indian constitution supports and encourages religious harmony in India. According to Dalai Lama, India is a model of religious harmony. One of the characteristics of YCS/YSM is to pray for peace. In Today's Gospel reading Jesus says "if you ask anything of me in my name, I will do it," Therefore during this Holy Eucharist we ask the prince of peace to take over the world and specially our country and fill it with peace and harmony.

**Word of God:**

Reading Acts 13: 44 -52

John 14: 7 – 14

**Prayers of the Faithful**

Dear students, the discipline of religion helps us to change ourselves. Religion guides us to the path of honesty, integrity, high morals, and inspires us to live a righteous life. It teaches us to keep away from bad deeds and do good things. But today the whole concept and thinking has led us to destroy the peace of the nation and hearts. Let us now keep before the Lord our prayers for peace and harmony.

1. Heavenly Father bless our Pope Francis, bishops and religious leaders. May they carry the torch of peace and harmony, share the knowledge of joy and happiness and teach the faithful to create a heart of sweet home for all human beings. In return bless them abundantly so that in times of troubles and struggles they may be able to stand for the truth. We pray to the Lord.
2. God of Mercy, bless our country and all the leaders. May every leader work to create religious harmony in our nation by knowing and practicing his/her own religion and respecting the other religions. Inspire them to integrate closely with the people of different faith and believers but not interfering in the religious matter of other people and opposing any attempt to misuse the religion and create disharmony in our society. We pray to the Lord.
3. Lord we pray for the young people of our country, may all the narrow ideas of religion may disappear from their minds. Bless every young heart that they may pledge to love and respect everyone in the world irrespective of one's religion, cast creed, sect, colour or any other differences. May each young heart work towards bringing religious harmony and co-creating a peaceful and prosperous world.
4. Heavenly father we pray for the IYCS and many other social action movements who work for religious peace and harmony. Help them not to forget that as true Indians and responsible citizens to treat all persons in the society alike and display great solidarity and stand by the truth at all times. We pray to the Lord.
5. Lord we pray for the teachers of our school. Bless their efforts in building and promoting the new concept of religious harmony, so as to meet the challenges posed by religious diversity in a globalized world. May we learn to shoulder social responsibility and foster intra – and inter- religious harmony and harmony between the religious community and the larger society. We pray to the Lord.
6. Heavenly Father bless Fr. .... who is celebrating this Holy Eucharist for us. May he and all the priests gathered here experience the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. May they cherish the fruits of their efforts in bringing peace and harmony in the world. We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** We pray to you Lord to accept all our prayers that we have brought before you for our nation and for all the religions. May the truth of unity, justice and love prevail in every human heart, we make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

**Sunday, 19th May 2019**  
**(North East& MG)**

**Theme: Students for safe neighbourhood**

**Introduction:** A student needs to walk an extra mile to ensure how things could be made better by deeply involving in acts of mercy, to create a safe neighbourhood. The readings of today come with a Good News and that is 'God himself will be always with us as our God' for he has promised to 'make all things new'. And in the gospel St. John invites us to love one another to inherit the position of becoming his disciples. For a safe neighbourhood we need to have love in our heart and that love is God Himself. And it is then goodness and kindness will follow us all the days of our life. As we begin this holy Eucharist let us ask the Lord to make us his own and sent forth to be a good neighbour.

**Word of God:**

1st Reading Acts 14: 21 -27

2nd Reading Rev. 21:1-5

Gospel John 13: 31 – 35

**Prayers of the faithful**

Dear young students, we are called to be good neighbours, and create a safe neighbourhood, keeping in mind our duty and responsibility let us ask the lord to bless us and inspire us as we bring before the Lord our petitions.

1. Heavenly father bless our church, Pope Francis, Bishops, priests and religious. Bless their efforts that they put in to build a good neighbourhood. Bless their plans and activities to educate the young minds in creating a safe neighbourhood. Empower them Lord in times of discouragements and when they do not find any results even after lot of efforts. We pray to the Lord.
2. Loving Father we remember to pray for all our neighbours. Neighbours at every situation may be at home or school or the place we go to study and play. Bless us that we may become the messengers of love to every neighbour. Give us the courage to accept every neighbour as they are. Help us to be gentle in our behaviour when things go wrong. We pray to the Lord
3. Gracious lord we keep before you our country. We pray that our leaders may realize that friendship and communication, between states and countries can make earth as haven, where everyone can

feel your presence. Bless the efforts made by our country in bringing peace and sharing resources for the betterment of neighbouring countries.

4. Loving Lord you are the fountain of all wisdom and knowledge. Today in a very special way we pray for those young and old, who spend their time and energy in chalking out evil plans against their neighbours. The daily news keeps us troubled as we learn the harm done to each other, Lord touch their hearts and awaken their spirit of goodness to bring peace around the world. We pray to the Lord.
5. Loving father descend your spirit upon all of us gathered here and specially on Rev. Fr. .... bless him in a very special way and all of us, that we may open our minds and hearts to the insights of your holy will and be the messengers of peace, love and service to all our neighbours. We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** O God, source of all love and wisdom, the desire in our hearts brings us closer to you. May the prayers that are expressed from the hearts of these young students be an offering of earnest desire. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.



**Monday, 20th May 2019**  
**(North&Telugu)**

**Theme: Students for peace & harmony**

**Introduction:**First keep peace within yourself, and you can bring peace to others, the peace begins with a smile says St. Mother Teresa. Today as we reflect on the theme ‘Students for peace and harmony’, St. Paul helps us to understand it better. When people at the synagogue noticed the miracle he performed they immediately wanted to make him God but St. Paul convinced them of one God who is omnipotent and our responsibility to walk in his footsteps with peace and harmony. As we offer this holy Eucharist we ask the Lord to fill us with humility and serenity to hear his voice and act upon it.

**Word of God:**

1stReading Acts 14: 5 -18

Gospel John 14: 21 – 26

### **Prayers of the faithful**

Dear students, let us feel confident to raise our hearts with prayers and petitions, for he is our Lord and Master always waits to listen to us, and fills us with his spirit. Let us bring before our Lord our prayers.

1. 'Peace be with you' - Heavenly father when you sent your son to this world the angels sang the notes of peace to all mankind. Humbly look upon our mother church and bless all its leaders specially our pope Francis who takes lot of efforts to spread the message of peace. May the church continue to sing 'peace be with you' chorus to every generation in the world. We pray to the Lord.
2. 'My peace I give you' - Heavenly father we keep before you all those associations and organizations who work for peace. May the efforts made to maintain peace bear fruit in every corner of the city, village and country. Protect them in times of danger, and grant them satisfaction on the efforts that they have put in. we pray to the Lord
3. 'It is the peace that the world cannot give'. Lord Jesus you promised us the everlasting peace, peace that will prevail in every mind and heart. We pray for all the sick and suffering and those who have lost hope in their lives. Bless them with the power of acceptance and surrender. We pray to the Lord.
4. 'It is the peace that the world cannot understand'. Heavenly father the peace that was proclaimed by your Son after the resurrection to his disciples is still not understood by everyone. We need this message of peace to reach to the ends of the earth. So father bless us your children YCS and IYCS so that we may work very hard in spreading the message of peace to the whole world. We pray to the Lord.
5. St. Francis of Assisi prayed 'Lord make me an Instrument of Peace', heavenly father Bless Rev. Fr. .... Who is offering this holy Eucharist for us, as he strives to be the instrument of peace, bless his efforts and all of us gathered here may he never loose courage and pray daily to be his instrument of peace. We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Almighty Father, look graciously upon these students, may the peace that they desire and you wish to give them may be preserved in their heart throughout their life, we make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

**Tuesday, 21st May 2019**  
**(Tamil Nadu & West Bengal)**

**Theme: Students for truth & Justice**

**Introduction:** They stoned Paul and dragged him out of the city. But Paul got up and strengthened the spirit of the disciples. And he said “it is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God”. Dear friends we need to experience what St. Paul experienced during his days, so every opportunity availed to us by the church is to strengthen our faith in our creator. Today as we reflect on the theme ‘students for truth and justice’. let us ask the Lord during this Holy Eucharist to fill us with Holy Spirit so that we may always stand for truth and justice.

**Word of God:**

1st Reading Acts 14: 19 -28

Gospel John 14: 27 - 31 peace I leave with you my peace I give you.

**Prayers of the faithful:**

Dear Students, the Lord is gracious and anyone who comes to him never allows to return empty handed. Let us pray to him, for the reign of truth and justice in our hearts and in the whole world

1. ‘The truth is always stronger in the end if people stand and fight for it’. Heavenly father we pray for our Pope Francis and all the leaders of the church may the truth of risen saviour’s victory over evil continue to ring in the heart of every leader. May the faithful of the church all over the world cherish little struggle to enjoy everlasting truth and justice. We pray to the Lord.
2. “Truth can only be seen by those with truth in them. He, who does not have truth in his heart, will always be blind to her”. Loving father anoint our security forces with the real truth in their hearts may their service to the nations may be highly appreciated. Bless those parents and family members who sacrifice their children for this cause. May every man and woman involved in defence force seek the assistance of the divine during their crucial times. We pray to the Lord.
3. Heavenly father, we pray for those who are in the prison and remand homes many of them are not even aware what their crime was or mistake. And some of them are with grave reasons, transform their hearts dear lord may they repent and if possible may they have a chance to obtain justice. We pray to the Lord.

4. Justice includes the notion of upholding the law, as in the work of police, judges and the court. Heavenly father you are the ultimate truth and justice, look upon kindly and rest in the hearts of all these responsible people who strive to bring justice to the nation. May their hard efforts in this venture bring peace to many people. We pray to the Lord.
5. Loving Father, in a very special way we pray for Fr. Stephan Alathara, as King Martin Luther once said 'the moral arc of the universe is long, but it bends toward justice'. Dear lord Fr. Stephen needs your assistance and guidance to carry on the great responsibility. May the Holy Spirit and peace which you promised to your apostles be his greatest gifts of his life. May he enjoy the protection of angels and saints in decision making for the good of the church. We pray to the Lord

**Celebrant:** Be gracious O Heavenly Father; do not despise any of these young students who are interceding with earnest desires. As they put efforts to become the good citizens of this country, bless them with courage and firm convictions to work always for the truth and justice. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.



**Wednesday, 22nd May 2019**  
**(Odisha, Bihar & UP)**

**Theme: Students for clean environment**

**Introduction:** Today's theme 'Students for clean environment' and the gospel passage has a very personal message to each one of us. Both the themes call us to remain united with the nature. If we are not united and not taken care of the dependency, we are slowly destroying the nature and forgetting its importance as home for all the creatures. Jesus calls us to remain in him and bear much fruit. As we offer this Holy Eucharist let us ask the Lord to create in us a heart of Love and caring towards the nature, a heart of understanding to avoid the damage we create in the environment.

**Word of God:**

1st Reading Acts 15: 1 -6

Gospel John 15: 1 - 8

### **Prayers of the faithful**

Dear students, God created the world and he found everything good and nice, and he then handed it over to the human race. We used this earth for our selfish purposes and destroy it day by day, come let us ask the lord to help us in our endeavour to renew it once again.

**Response:** Lord renew the earth and make it new.

1. Pope Francis said “I urgently appeal, Then, for a new dialogue about how we are shaping the future of our planet ....” Heavenly father the church is urging us to protect your creation but we pay least attention, bless our pope Francis, our bishops, priest, religious and all the faithful, that we may look the blinking future of the nature because of the lack of care and protection. Bless each one of us lord that we may join our hands together to protect the nature. We pray to the Lord.
2. “The entire material universe speaks of God’s love, his boundless affection for us, soil, water, mountains; everything is, as it were, a caress of God.” Loving father we are just students but we can do wonderful work to save our school and home surroundings. Instil in us the love for each other so to save the nature from degrading. May our parents and elders take keen interest to support our plans and desires to save the nature. We pray to the Lord.
3. “Pollution hurts the poor and it is linked to the throwaway culture”. Heavenly father we pray for all the organizations and clubs that work for the poor and take the measures to save them from the pollution in the nature. The multinational companies have still not realized the harm done to the poor and the nature by not taking care of throwaway culture. We humbly pray you Lord to open our eyes and hearts to remain attuned to the problems and find solutions. We pray to the Lord.
4. “Creatures are not just resources, but have value in and of themselves and give glory to God”. Loving father the nature teaches us to proclaim your glory. The nature calls us to pay attention on the ruined situations. But we are happy with what we have and do. Lord we ask you to bless our parents, brothers and sisters, our teachers and all those who guide us to care the planet earth. May their efforts come true in us. We pray to the Lord.
5. We pray to the Lord. Heavenly father bless Rev. Fr. .... who is offering the Holy sacrifice for our sake and always works for peace

through his ministry. The very initiative of being here is the sign of his love and desire to spread the peace among the students. Lord protect him and guide him from all the harms and dangers of this world, may his life be a great example to bring many more people closer to you.

**Celebrant:** Accept all our prayers Almighty Father that are placed before you. May they be consumed by your everlasting love. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord Amen.



**Thursday, 23rd May 2019**  
**(MP & CG)**

**Theme: Students against corruption**

**Introduction:** God looks at the heart and makes no distinction in pouring out the gifts of Holy Spirit. Jesus Christ who rose from the dead, loves us so dearly for he was loved by his father, and shares that same love with us as he says, 'my joy might be in you and your joy might be complete'. Today we need people awakened by the Holy Spirit, who work with transparency and with the vision of anti-corruption. As we begin this day with the theme 'students against corruption' we need to accept the invitation of the Lord to be holy as His heavenly father is holy and for which we need to surrender our life in the hands of the Lord begging his mercy to save us from the circumstances of corruption. And thus we can experience the real Joy and gifts of the Holy Spirit in our life.

**Word of God:**

1st Reading Acts 15: 7 -21

Gospel John 15: 9 - 11

**Prayers of the faithful**

Dear friends, let us invoke the gifts of the Holy Spirit upon us and our daily routine, for we need Jesus' assistance to live a meaningful, just life. He is the source of all goodness and brings goodness in his creation. With confidence let us place all our prayers at his feet.

**Res:** Merciful father fill us with your Holy Spirit.

1. Heavenly father, creator of all good things, Bless our Pope Francis,

Bishops, priests, religious and our whole church. Help us to remember the baptismal promises we made in the daily routine of our life. So that we may always be the true witness of your kindness to the people entrusted to us. We pray to the Lord.

2. God of truth and justice, look kindly upon our country that is in unrest. Daily scandals and inequality of wealth distribution has led the people, to be the prey of evil habits. Bless every political leader from lower offices to higher offices alike, may they bear the torch of sincerity and kindness to the people stricken with poverty and injustice. We pray to the Lord.
3. Heavenly father giver of life and master of all living things, you created every human being in your own image and likeness. But today most of us choose to be uninspiring and unsociable due to selfish motives. We ask you Lord to bless our doctors, nurses, people at public offices and Government employees, touch their hearts and reward them for the good they do in the society, and at times may they be reminded of the responsibility and service that to be rendered to the common people.
4. God of peace bless the war stricken countries, and the innocent children who are suffering in it. Lord, we pray for peace, peace in the family, in the schools, in the society where ever we live and in the countries. Authorities of the nations are blind folded with the dream of achievements, name and fame, not realizing the harm created to the silent souls of the nations. Bring peace dear father, so that every child on this earth may experience you and the joy you promised in every situations of life. We pray to the Lord.
5. "Discover God in all things" the universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. Hence there is a mystical meaning to be found in every living creation". Almighty Father we are grateful to you for the person of Most Rev. Ignatius D'Souza, his presence is a great encouragement for all of us, to be the leaders of this movement. Bless his mission dear father, may he enjoy your blessings and presence in all his undertakings. May he become the great instrument to love the nature and spread the same affection among the poor also.

**Celebrant:** God of mercy and love, listen to the prayers made by these children, and their desires to bring peace in the world and fight against corruption. Keep them safe and protected under the wings of righteousness and truth. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.



## HYMNS

17th May 2019

Theme: Students for youthful life

### ENTRANCE

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Let us be glad and rejoice in it.

Let us be glad and rejoice

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Alleluia (3) is our song of joy.

Sing the song we will sing forever,

Alleluia, alleluia.

This is the day when the Lord arose...

This is the day when we rise with him...

This is the day all the world is new.

### LORD HAVE MERCY

Lord have mercy on us all (4)

Christ have mercy on us all (4)

Lord have mercy on us all (4)

### Glory To God

Glory be to God in heaven,

Glory be to God on high.

Glory be, we give you thanks

For the glory of the universe.

Peace on earth to all creation,

Peace on earth to all God's friends,

Peace on earth to everyone

Through the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Jesus Christ, the son of the Father,

Jesus Christ, the son of Man,

Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God

Who takes away the sins of the world.

Lamb of God right hand of the Father,

Lamb of God the sacrifice,

Lamb of God who bore our sins,

Have mercy on us, receive our prayer.

You alone are the Lord of creation,

You alone are holy one;

You alone are three in one

The Father, the son and Spirit. Amen

### Response:

Great indeed are your works o Lord

Now and evermore(2)

The universe night and day

Tells of all your wonders

You are our life and our light

We shall praise you always

You are the path which we tread

You will lead us onward

From every corner of earth

All the nations gather

You lead us all by the hand

To the heavenly kingdom

Then at the end of all time

You will come in glory

### Acclamation

Alleluia (4) Ham geet kushi se

gayenge

Ham gayenge ..... geet sada  
Alleluia (4)

### **Offertory**

On this day of joy, on this day of hope,  
We come to you in love, O Lord.  
On this day of joy, on this day of hope,  
We come to you in love.

With this bread and wine, we come  
To this Eucharistic feast.  
On this day of joy, on this day of hope,  
We come to you in love.

Bread to be your body, Lord  
Wine to be your saving blood.  
On this day of joy, on this day of hope,  
We come to you in love.

### **Holy**

Hosanna(3) in the highest

Lord we lift up your name  
With our hearts filled with praise  
Be exalted o Lord our  
Hosanna in the highest

Holy (3) is the Lamb of God

### **Proclamation**

We proclaim your death o Lord  
And profess your resurrection  
Until you come again

### **Communion**

As the deer pants for the water,  
So my soul longs after you.  
You alone are my heart's desire  
And I long to worship you

You alone are my strength, my shield,  
To you alone may my spirit yield.  
You alone are my hearts desire  
And I long to worship you.

I want you more than gold or silver  
Only you can satisfy.  
You alone are the real joy giver  
And the apple of my eye.

You're my friend and you are my  
brother  
Even though you are my Lord.  
I love you more than any other,  
So much more than anything.

### **Communion (2)**

I'm rejoicing night and day,  
As I walk the pilgrim way,  
For the hand of God in all my life I see.  
And the reason of my bliss,  
Yes, the secret all is this,  
That the comforter abides in me.

He abides (2) halleluiaah, he abides  
in me.

I'm rejoicing night and day,  
As I walk the narrow way,  
For the comforter abides in me.

Once my heart was full of sin,  
Once I had no peace within,  
Till I heard how Jesus died upon the tree.  
Then I fell down at his feet  
And there came a peace so sweet.  
Now the comforter abides in me.

He is with me everywhere  
And he knows my every care,  
I'm happy as a bird and just as free;  
For the Spirit has control,  
Jesus satisfies my soul,  
Since the comforter abides in me.

### **Post Communion**

Yesu mashi tere jaisa hai koi nahi  
Tere charnon me jhuke aasman  
Aur mahima gaye zamin

Hum gaye hosanna  
Tu rajaon ka hai raja  
Teri mahima gaye sada  
Tu hai prabhu hamara khuda

Pyare pita tune humse itna pyar kiya  
Hume papon se chuda ne ko  
Apne bete ko kurban kiya.

### **Recessional**

O Give Thanks to the Lord  
O give thanks to the Lord for he is  
good (3) Yes eternal is his love  
1. I will sing to my God never ceasing

All my life I will tell of his wonders  
He's the maker of all earth and heaven  
Of the ocean the seas and all they hold

2. The almighty is faithful for ever  
He just to the poor and the outraged  
It is He who gives bread to the hungry  
Who delivers the captives from their  
chains

3. He gives sight to the blind in is mercy  
And he raises the lowly the humble  
It is he who gives shelter to strangers  
Every orphan and widow he defends.

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### **1. Enter his gates**

Enter his gates, with thanksgiving in  
your hearts  
Enter his courts with praise  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving in  
your hearts  
For he has made me glad  
He has made me glad - 2 Jesus has  
made me glad  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving in  
your hearts  
For he has made me glad

Sing to the Lord, and make music  
unto him  
Sing to the Lord with joy  
Sing to the Lord and make music  
unto him  
For he has made me glad  
He has made me glad - 2 Jesus has  
made me glad  
Sing to the Lord and make music  
unto him  
For he has made me glad

### **2. Lead your children**

Lead your children, Jesus to the Altar  
Lead your children, Jesus hear we come  
Our hearts are filled with love  
Our lips are filled with song  
Lead your children, Jesus hear we come.

We know you love us all  
We know you call us friends  
Lead your children, Jesus hear we come

We come to share your bread  
We come to drink your wine  
Lead your children, Jesus hear we come

### **3. Showers of blessing,**

There shall be showers of blessing,  
this is the promise of love  
There shall be seasons refreshing,  
sent from the saviour above

*Ch: Showers of blessing, showers of  
blessing we need  
Mercy drops round us are falling,  
but for the showers we plead*

There shall be showers of blessing,  
 send these upon us O Lord  
 Grant to us now a refreshing,  
 come and now honour thy word  
 There shall be showers of blessing,  
 O that today they might fall  
 Now as to God we're confessing,  
 now as on Jesus we call

#### **4. Jesus sets me absolutely free**

Jesus sets me absolutely free  
 Died on Calvary to give me liberty  
 Jesus sets me absolutely free, Praise  
 His name  
 That's enough to make me sing (2)  
 My sins are all forgiven, and I'm on  
 my way to heaven  
 That's enough to make me (3) sing  
 Shout, Dance, Clap, Leap....

#### **5. Bind us together**

Bind us together Lord, bind us  
 together with  
 Chords that cannot be broken  
 Bind us together Lord, bind us  
 together Lord  
 Bind us together in love  
 There is only one God, there is only  
 one King  
 There is only one body, that is why  
 we sing

#### **6. This little guiding light of mine,**

This little guiding light of mine, I am  
 going to let it shine (3)  
 Let it shine all the time let it shine  
 Hide it under a bushel oh no, I am  
 going to let it shine (3)  
 Take my little lamp round the world,  
 I am going to let it shine (3)

#### **7. Living waters flow on**

Living waters flow on, wash away  
 my pain  
 Bring you healing to my heart, help  
 me love once again  
 Cares and worries get me down, fear  
 of failure fills my day  
 When I'm lost and all alone, help me  
 Lord to find your way

#### **8. We are gathering together**

We are gathering together unto Him  
 We are gathering together unto Him  
 Unto Him shall the gathering of the  
 people be  
 We are gathering together unto Him  
  
 We are praising... We are singing...  
 We are offering...

#### **9. As we gather**

As we gather in this place today  
 Holy Spirit come and have Your way,  
 have Your way  
 As we lay aside our own desires  
 Sweep across our hearts with holy  
 fire, have Your way

#### *Chorus:*

This is Your house, Your home  
 We welcome You, Lord,  
 we welcome You  
 This is Your house, Your home  
 We welcome You today

As we offer up our hearts and lives  
 Let them be a living sacrifice, have  
 Your way  
 Be glorified in everything we do  
 Be glorified in everything we say,  
 have Your way

**10. Abba father, let us be**

Abba Father, let us be  
Yours and Yours alone  
Set our hearts, our spirits free  
Make us Lord, Your own

Through Your goodness, Lord we bring  
Bread of our labour and wine to cheer  
the heart  
Which will soon be filled for us  
With the life of your son.

Take this drop of water too  
Sign of our weakness, yet symbol of  
our love  
By its mingling may we share  
Your divinity

**11. All for you**

All for You, Lord, all for You,  
Everything I give to You,  
All for You, Lord, all for You,  
Make it all Your own.

Take my hands and feet, Lord, take  
them all for You.  
They are instruments,  
Lord, put them to Your use,  
To spread Your love and give the  
good news, All for You, my God.

**12. Blest are you Lord,**

Blest are you, Lord, God of all creation,  
Thanks to your goodness, this bread  
we offer,  
Fruit of the earth, work of our hands,  
It will become the bread of life.

Blessed be God (2)  
Blessed be God forever, Amen.  
Blessed be God (2)  
Blessed be God forever, Amen.

Blest are you lord, God of all  
creation,  
Thanks to your goodness, this wine  
we offer,  
Fruit of the wine, work of our hands,  
It will become the cup of joy.

**13. I Surrender all**

All to Jesus I surrender  
All to Him I freely give.  
I will ever love and trust Him  
In His presence daily live.

I surrender all, I surrender all  
All to thee, my blessed Saviour  
I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender  
Humbly at His feet I bow  
Worldly pleasures all forsaken  
Take me Jesus, Take me now.

All to Jesus I surrender  
Make me Saviour wholly Thine  
Let me feel Thy Holy Spirit  
Truly know that Thou art mine.

**14. In Bread we bring you Lord**

In bread we bring you Lord,  
our bodies labour.  
In wine we offer you our spirit's grief  
We do not ask you Lord,  
who is my neighbour?  
But stand united now, one in belief.  
O we have gladly heard  
your word, your holy word  
And now in answer Lord,  
our gifts we bring  
Our selfish hearts make true  
Our failing faith renew  
Our lives belong to you,  
our Lord and King

**15. Jesus you're the one I love**

Jesus you're the one I love  
You're the one I know  
You're the one who makes me strong  
Spirit in my soul  
From the clouds of yesterday  
Through the night of pain  
Teach me Lord, to know your way  
Know it once again

Bread blessed and broken for us all  
Symbol of your love,  
from the grain so tall  
Bread blessed and broken for us all  
Bread of life you give to us, bread of  
life for all.

May the bread we break today  
May the cup we share  
Lift the burdens of our hearts  
Lift them everywhere  
Passing onto each of us  
A measure of your love  
Love to make us whole again  
As we share your word.

**16. Sing My Soul**

Sing my soul at the joy that I feel  
There is now, dwelling in me my God.

It is through you, Lord that I act  
Every prayer, every thought of mine  
Comes from you Lord Divine

Lord it is your wish that I may  
By my life show men how to love  
Fellow men, more and more

It is to you Lord that I turn  
When in need, and my heart is grieved  
For your love brings me joy

Lord it is your wish that my life  
In this world brings abundant fruit  
For the kingdom of heaven

**17. Come let's share**

Come let's share in the banquet of the  
Lord

In the Blessed Sacrament  
Come let's share in the supper of the Lord  
In the Blessed Sacrament

*Eat the bread and drink the wine  
Flesh and blood of the Lord divine  
Share His blood it is yours and mine  
For we are one in His design*

Come let's share in the passion of the  
Lord

In the Blessed Sacrament  
Come let's share the resurrection of  
the Lord  
In the Blessed Sacrament

Come let's share in the life of the Lord  
In the Blessed Sacrament  
Come let's share in the love of the  
Lord  
In the Blessed Sacrament

**18. Go the Mass Is Ended**

Go the Mass is ended  
children of the Lord,  
Take His word to others As you've  
heard it spoken to you.

Go, the Mass is ended  
Go and tell the world;  
The Lord is good, the Lord is kind  
And He loves every one.

Go, the mass is ended  
Take His love to all

Gladden all who meet you  
Fill their hearts with  
hope and courage.  
Go the Mass is ended  
Fill the world with love  
And give to all,  
what you have received  
The peace and joy of Christ.

### **19. God still loves the world**

Every tiny star that twinkles in the  
night sky  
Every drop of morning dew  
Every spark of fire blazing in the  
furnace  
Every captivating view  
Every rainbow in the sky  
Every pretty butterfly  
Tells the fascinating news to those  
who dare to hope  
And the message is:

God still loves the world  
God still, still loves the world  
So throw your life into his hands  
Day by day discern his plans  
God is passionately busy loving  
you and me

Every ocean wave that breaks upon  
the sea-shore  
Every stalk of golden wheat  
Every silver stream that gushes down  
the mountain  
Every drop of honey sweet  
Every eagle flying high  
Every worm that wiggles by  
Tells the fascinating news to those  
who dare to hope  
And the message is:

### **20. We Shall Overcome**

We shall overcome (2)  
We shall overcome some day,  
Oh deep in my heart I do believe,  
We shall overcome some day.

We'll walk hand in hand (2)...  
We are not afraid (2)...

### **21. God's love is so wonderful**

God's love is so wonderful! (3)  
O wonderful love!  
So high, you can't get over it  
So deep, you can't get under it  
So wide, you can't get around it  
O wonderful love

Happy (3) happy in the Lord  
Praise God, I'm born again  
Trusting in his word  
I want you to know,  
God's promise is true  
For I am happy, happy,  
happy in the Lord

### **22. His yoke is easy**

The Lord is my Shepherd,  
I shall not want  
He maketh me down to lie  
In pastures green, he leadeth me  
The quiet waters by

His yoke is easy, his burden is light  
I've found it so, I've found it so  
He leadeth me by day and by night  
Where living waters flow

My soul crieth out, "Restore me again,  
And give me the strength to take  
The narrow path of righteousness  
E'en for his own name's sake

Yea, though I should walk the valley  
of death  
Yet why should I fear from ill?  
For Thou art with me, and Thy rod  
And staff me comfort still

### 23. You are my strength

You are my strength when I am weak  
You are the treasure that I seek  
You are my all in all

Seeking You as a precious jewel  
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool  
You are my all in all,  
Jesus, Lamb of God  
Worthy is Your name  
Jesus, Lamb of God  
Worthy is Your name  
Oh, Your name is worthy

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame  
Rising again I bless Your name  
(I bless Your name)  
You are my all in all  
(Oh yes you are, yes you are)

When I fall down You pick me up  
When I am dry You fill my cup  
(You fill my cup)  
You are my all in all  
(My all, Lord, hallelujah)

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### 24. Thank you Lord

I come before You today  
And there's just one thing that I want  
to say  
Thank You Lord; Thank You Lord  
For all You've given to me  
For all the blessings I can not see  
Thank You Lord; Thank You Lord

With a grateful heart  
With a song of praise  
With an outstretched arm  
I will bless Your name  
Thank You Lord  
I just wanna thank You Lord  
Thank You Lord (2)

For all You've done in my life  
You took my darkness and gave me  
your light  
Thank You Lord; Thank You Lord  
You took my sin and my shame  
You took my sickness and healed all  
my pain  
Thank You Lord; Thank You Lord

With a grateful heart;  
With a song of praise  
With an outstretched arm  
I will bless Your name



Thank You Lord  
I just wanna thank You Lord  
Thank You Lord; Thank You Lord.

## **25. LIGHT OF THE WORLD**

Light of the world,  
You stepped down into darkness.  
Opened my eyes, let me see.  
Beauty that made this heart,  
Adore you.  
Hope of a life spend with you.

here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that you're my god.  
You're altogether lovely,  
All together worthy.  
All together wonderful to me

King of all day's oh so highly exalted.  
Glorious in heaven above.  
Humbly you came to the earth you  
created  
all for love's sake became poor.

Here I am to worship,  
Here I am to bow down,  
Here I am to say that You're my God  
You're altogether lovely  
All together worthy,  
All together wonderful to me

## **26. COME ON AND CELEBRATE**

Come on and celebrate  
His gift of love we will celebrate  
The son of god who loved us and  
gave us life.  
We'll shout your praise, o lord,  
You give us joy, nothing else can bring  
We'll give to you our offering in  
celebration praise.

Come on and celebrate(3) and sing  
Celebrate and sing to the lord(2)

## **27. I Offer My Life**

All that I am, all that I have  
I lay them down before You, oh Lord  
All my regrets, all my acclaims  
The joy and the pain, I'm making  
them Yours

Lord, I offer my life to You  
Everything I've been through, use it  
for Your glory  
Lord I offer my days to You  
Lifting my praise to You as a pleasing  
sacrifice  
Lord I offer You my life

Things in the past, things yet unseen  
Wishes and dreams that are yet to  
come true  
All of my hopes, all of my plans  
My heart and my hands are lifted to You

Lord, I offer my life to You  
Everything I've been through, use it  
for Your glory  
Lord I offer my days to You  
Lifting my praise to You as a pleasing  
sacrifice  
Lord I offer You my life

What can we give that You have not  
given?  
And what do we have that is not  
already Yours?  
All we possess are these lives we're  
living  
That's what we give to You, Lord



### **Prayer Module:**

Taize prayer is meditative in character and “that has neither beginning nor end”. To begin the prayer, choose one or two songs of praise.

### **Song**

### **Psalm**

One or two persons can alternate in reading or singing the verses of a psalm. After each verse, all respond with an Alleluia or another sung acclamation. If the verses are sung they should be short, usually two lines. In some cases, the congregation can hum the final chord of the acclamation while the solo verses are being sung. If the verses are read and not sung, they can be longer. It is not necessary to read the entire psalm. Do not hesitate to choose just a few verses, and always the most accessible ones.

### **Reading**

### **Song, Silence**

During a time of prayer, it is best to have just one fairly long period of silence (5-10 minutes) rather than several shorter ones. If those taking part in the prayer are not used to silence, it can help to explain it briefly beforehand. Or, after the song immediately preceding the silence, someone can say, “The prayer will now continue with a few moments of silence.”

### **Intercessions or Litany of Praise**

### **Our Father**

### **Concluding prayer**

### **Songs**

At the end, the singing can go on for some time. A small group can remain to sustain the singing of those who wish to keep on praying.

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### **Taize Hymns:**

1. Bless the Lord my soul and bless God's Holy name  
Bless the Lord my soul, who leads me into life.
3. O Lord hear my prayer (2x) when I call answer me  
O Lord hear my prayer (2x) come and listen to me
4. The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise, all my hope  
comes from God  
The Lord is my song, the Lord is my praise, God the  
wellspring of life
5. In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice.  
Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices the Lord is  
near lift up your voices the Lord is near
7. O ... o ... Christ of compassion,  
O ... o ... Lord God, I trust you
8. Stay with me, remain here with me, watch and pray (2x)
9. O Christe Domine Jesu (2x)
10. Sing praise and bless the Lord (2x)  
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!  
Sing praise and bless the Lord (2x)  
Peoples! Nations! Alleluia!
12. Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.  
Wait for the Lord, keep watch take heart.
13. Lord God you love us, source of compassion
14. Holy Spirit come to us, kindle in us the fire of your love.  
Holy Spirit come to us, Holy Spirit come to us.
15. Jesus remember me when you come into your kingdom (2)
16. In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice  
Look to Him, do not be afraid, Lift up your voices the Lord is near (2)
17. Laudate omnes gentes laudate dominum

## Action songs – Animation

1. Good morning to you (2) Hello (2) Good morning to you
2. Yesu mera Hero  
Shahruk nahin hai hero, Salman nahin hai hero,  
Yesu mera hero  
Laden nahin he hero, Barak nahin he hero, Yesu mera hero  
Dhoni nahin hai hero, Sachin nahi hai hero, Yesu mera hero
3. God's love is bubbling over (3) Alleluia
4. Jumbo Jesus loves you are you happy he is with you,  
Carebu into his presence, why do you worry,  
Hakunamatata.....Oh.....Oh.....Oh  
Almighty God.
5. Tra la la lero (2) Tra la la lero lero la la la  
Tra la la lero (2) Tra la la lero lala
6. We want to say we are happy  
We want to say we are glad  
Chuvi chuvi chuvi chuvi oom ba ba  
Ya ya ya ya ya ya  
Pa rara pam pam (3) pa rara pam pam pam pam....
7. Making melody in my heart (3) to the king of kings  
Thumbs up, Elbows out, Knees together, Feet apart, Head  
bend, Eyes up, Tongue out,  
Turn around
8. It's I (3) who build community (3)  
It's I who build community  
Roll over the ocean roll over the sea  
Go and do your part to build community (2)
9. It's a great day to praise the Lord (3)  
Walking in the light of the Lord  
Walk walk walk walk in the light (3)  
Walking in the light of the Lord  
It's a great day to love....It's a great day to serve....

10. I want to clap clap clap I want to snap snap snap  
I want to clap I want to snap and praise the Lord  
When the gates are open wide and I sit by Jesus' side  
I want to clap I want to snap and praise the Lord  
- I want to zoom .... Into the room....  
- I want to fly.... Up in the sky....  
- I want to sit.... I want to stand....  
- I want to sing.... I want to shout....
11. Who gives the faith for the fa fa faith  
Who gives the love for the love  
Who gives the hope for the ho ho hope  
Who gives the grace for the grace  
Who is that man  
I want to shake his hand and who lives in me and he died  
for you and me, Whooooooooo  
Deep deep tarara deep deep tarara deep deep tarara deep
12. I say L; I say LO, LOV, LOVE  
Everybody wants some LOVE (3)  
Everybody wants some LOVE
13. My life is in you Lord, My strength is in you Lord  
My hope is in you Lord, in you is in you  
I praise you with all of my life  
I praise you with all of my strength  
With all of my life with all of my strength  
With all of my hope is in you.
14. I'm trading my sorrows; I'm trading my shame  
I'm laying them down; For the joy of the Lord  
I'm trading my sickness; I'm trading my pain  
I'm laying them down; For the joy of the Lord  
We say yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord  
Yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord  
Yes Lord yes Lord yes yes Lord, Amen  
Yes Lord Yes Lord Yes Yes Lord (3) Amen  
Sha la la la la la la la la la (3) Amen

15. God loves me and I love you  
and that's the way it should be (2)
  - a. You can be smiling, I can be smiling and that's the way it  
should be (2)
  - b. You can't be crying, I can't be crying and that's the way it  
should be (2)
16. Change my heart O Lord, make it ever new  
Change my heart O Lord, May I be like you  
You are the potter, I am the clay  
Mould me and make me, that is what I pray
17. Into my heart (2) Come into my heart Lord Jesus  
Come in today, come into to stay,  
come into my heart Lord Jesus
  - a. In to my mind.... Into my life..... Into my work....  
Into my prayer.... Into my friends...
18. Is God dead?  
No no no no, no no no no, no no no no, God is not dead  
He is alive God is not dead
  - a. I can feel him in my hands, I can feel him in my legs,  
I can feel him in my heart, I can feel him in my mind  
I can feel him all over me.
  - b. I can feel him in the home, I can feel him in the school  
I can feel him in the air, I can feel him everywhere  
I can feel him all over me.
19. I've got joy down in my heart , Deep deep down in my heart  
J O Y down in my heart, Deep deep down in my heart  
Jesus put it there, and nothing can  
destroy destroy destroy destroy phoo....
20. I've got spirit in my body that is keeping me alive (3)  
Jesus is keeping me alive  
And I'm so happy, so very happy, I've got the love of  
Jesus in my heart (2)  
- Shoulders, Hips, Knees, Ankles....

21. Cast your burdens unto Jesus, He cares for you  
Higher (7) lift Jesus higher  
Lower (7) crush Satan lower
22. The blind man sat by the road and he cried (3)  
He cried ooh..ooh...  
Show me the truth, show me the light, show me the way  
The way to go home baby aha, ah ha aha  
Crippled man...., Deaf man....
23. I am a C, I am a CH, I am a CHRISTIAN  
I have a CHRIST in my HEART, and I live ETERNALLY  
The BIBLE that's the book for me, I stand before the  
Word of God, The BIBLE
24. Shaitanu, vebaki, numana, nayana, naya su (2)  
Iyyaya (5) - (2)  
Cigaru, Mobilu, Gutuka....
25. Guma guma ke mara (4)  
David ne Goliath ko gofan se mara  
Ek nahin, do nahin, teen nahin, char nahin (2)  
panch pathar ko utake ek pathar se mara  
Guma guma ke mara.
26. Telephone to Jesus (2) telephone to Jesus everyday – hello  
I want to talk to Jesus (2) I want to talk to  
Jesus everyday – hello  
I want to dance with Jesus (2) I want to dance with  
Jesus everyday  
I want to sing with Jesus (2) I want to sing with Jesus everyday
27. Jesus' power super power (4) Super (5) power  
Satan's power zero power (4)  
Zero (5) power
28. Gili gili gili aka jaka Okko ama bum bum bum  
Gili gili gili aka jaka okkao ama bum  
Olima oli gili gili gili bum bum bum  
Olima oli gili gili gili bum

29. God made man and man made money  
 God made bees and bees made honey  
 Then comes the devil and the devil made sin  
 Bring the pole dig the hole and kick the devil in (2)
30. Pa ram pam pam (2)  
 Guli guli guli pa ram pam pam (2) Ole ole (2)  
 Guli guli guli pa ram pam pam (2)
31. Oooo na na na na na na  
 I like to eat a like to eat a banana, Praise the Lord  
 First I think a banana, then I see a banana, then  
 I pluck a banana, then I feel a banana, then  
 I peel a banana, then I smell a banana, then  
 I eat a banana, aum aum aum.
32. I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart  
 Where? Down in my heart!  
 Where? Down in my heart!  
 I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart  
 Down in my heart to stay  
 And I'm so happy; So very happy  
 I've got the love of Jesus in my heart; Down in my heart  
 And I'm so happy; So very happy  
 I've got the love of Jesus in my heart.  
 I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus  
 Down in my heart  
 Where? Down in my heart!  
 Where? Down in my heart!  
 I've got the love of Jesus, love of Jesus  
 Down in my heart  
 Where? Down in my heart to stay.
33. Nachoonga Gaoonga paglon ke samaan  
 Hosh mein na rahoonga mera Raaja hai mahaan  
 Nachoonga, khoke apna swaabhimaan  
 log kahe ise moorkhta  
 Gaoonga, mera Raaja hai mahaan  
 na na na na na, hey

Nachoonga, khoke apna swaabhimaan  
log kahe ise moorkhta

34. My God is so big, so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do (X2)  
He made the trees  
He made the seas  
He made the elephants too  
My God is so big, so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
My God is so great, so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do(x2)  
The mountains are his  
The rivers are his  
The skies are his handy works too  
My God is so great, so strong and so mighty  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
There's nothing my God cannot do  
There's nothing my God cannot do for you
35. Let's discover, let's explore  
Your creation and so much more.  
Its exciting, can't wait to see  
What you have in store  
  
Surrounded by waves are your mystery  
Lord show what you want me to be  
  
Let's go deep deep deep; Deep as the ocean blue  
Deep deep deep ; Deep in my faith with you  
Deep deep deep  
Deep in my heart I see your love is endlessly  
deeper than the sea.
36. Tell the world about the colourful rainbow  
Tell the world about the birds that fly  
Tell the world about the deep blue ocean  
Tell the world about the clear blue sky.  
Chada cha cha cha chada(2)  
Tell the world about the beautiful faces  
Tell the world about the happy smiles  
Tell the world about the hills and mountains  
Tell the world about this brand new style  
Chada cha cha cha chada(4)

## PLEDGE AS A MEMBER OF YCS/YSM

I believe in a living and loving God who is present and active in every event of my life. I am created in the image and likeness of God so also every human person. I promise to respect all the members of the Movement and work for the equality in the Movement. I promise to respect my parents, elders and animators, ready to take their guidance and work with them.

I promise to accept the aims and objectives of my Movement and always strive to achieve those values of equality, love, justice and peace propagated by the movement. I accept the spirituality of the Movement, as one of God experience, restoration of human dignity, respect and dialogue with other religions and spirituality of action.

I accept the Review of life, Methodology of the Movement and try to practice it as a process of growth for me in finding my role in the society. I accept the idea of leadership through service and do my best in search and struggle to achieve our Goal “A Better Society”.

I promise to do my best to contribute my refection and service for the growth of the Movement which I accept, will shape my life and responsibility in the society.

I promise to accept the welfare of the Movement and my neighbor as the prime concern and do not indulge in partiality or anything that goes against the ideals of the Movement.

I promise to do everything possible to ensure National Integration, Harmonious living, Environmental protection and Dignity to every Human being.

I will not discriminate people, the spark of the divine, on the basis of caste, creed, language, religion and gender socio economic backgrounds. I will not give or take bribe or indulge in mal practices of any sort. I will be the voice of the voiceless.

I will join hands with people and Movements who promote Human Rights and Dignity, justice, peace and equality. I promise to be sincere, truthful, honest, open, frank, hardworking, committed and dedicated.

I take this pledge fully knowing my responsibility; asking strength from God and loving Father, and requesting the support and encouragement of my animators and companions. I offer this option and pledge in solidarity with all the members and animators in the Movement for the cause of “A better Society”.

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