

## PONGAL CELEBRATIONS

Pongal is one of the most popular harvest festival of South India, mainly Tamil Nadu. Pongal falls in the mid-January every year and marks the auspicious beginning of Uttarayan - sun's journey northwards. Celebrations included rangoli and cooking of delicious Pongal in mud pot, games and traditional art performances. All the students in dhoties and sarees depicted the tamil culture. Various competitions were conducted to enhance the spirit and mood of Pongal celebration.



**Delicious Pongal being prepared by faculty**

### **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS**

Christmas is a festival which inspires the spirit of sharing and caring. True to the spirit of Christmas the college was beautifully decorated and celebrations were organized for staff and students on 19<sup>th</sup> December 2016. Special mass was conducted in the college chapel on that day after which the celebrations commenced. Nativity play, special performance by the College choir and department wise carol singing competitions were some of the highlights of the day. Christmas gifts were exchanged and the dinner was served to the faculty.



**Rev. Bro. Francis Vincent and faculty exchanging gifts**



**Santa Claus with the surprise Christmas gift**

## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

The college celebrated the 70th Independence Day with enthusiasm and patriotic fervor. To encourage the students, Oratorical and Essay Writing competitions in English, Tamil, Hindi and French were conducted on 11th and 12th of August on the topics “**Are we worthy of freedom**” “**Who killed Mahatma?**” “**Why educated people are not opting for politics?**” and “**Indian Independence Movement**”. The winners were given prizes on the Independence Day.



Student receiving the prize for the competition on Independence Day



Students taking pledge on Independence day

## TEACHERS DAY

Teacher's Day is celebrated to pay tribute to teachers, who have dedicated a considerable part of their life to impart moral and academic knowledge to their students. At Patrician College, the teacher's day Celebration was organized by the student council on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September, 2016 with great enthusiasm. Thanksgiving Holy Mass for the catholic staff and students was solemnized at the beginning of the day. Later the students union took to the floor and games were organized for teachers. In a truly sportive spirit, our young and vibrant Director and our Principal took to the stage with other staff members and shook a leg. The programme ended with distribution gifts, from the students union.



**Students performing on Teachers day**

## Martyrs' Day

Martyrs' Day every year on January 30 is observed to honour our brave martyrs who laid their lives for the nation. This day also marks the death of Mahatma Gandhi. As a mark of respect to the Father of the Nation and other martyrs a two-minute silence is observed throughout the college campus.

### International Day of Trafficking

Department of Social Work organized a Photo Exhibition and Signature Campaign to observe “International Day of Trafficking of Person”



**Photo Exhibit on Human Trafficking**



**Participants during the programme on Human Trafficking**

### Onam Celebration

Onam festival unites everyone from all communities not only in Kerala but also in Tamilnadu irrespective of their religion and caste. It is one amongst the most popular festivals in India and celebrated with great pomp. The college encourages this harvest festival for both staff and students to wear traditional attire and the students exhibited their talents on Pookkalam and traditional dance.



**Dr. Ahila Sivasankar, Head Department of Tamil judging Pookkalam Competition**



**Student are performing traditional Onam dance**