



# **ST. FRANCIS DE SALES COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)**

**NAAC 'A' Grade; AICTE Approved  
Electronics City, Bengaluru 560100**

## **THE DESALITE DIGEST**

**SFS COLLEGE NEWSLETTER**

**JANUARY 2025**



# PRINCIPAL'S DESK

At St. Francis de Sales College, we are driven by a profound commitment to Excellence, Efficiency, and Transformation, aligning all our endeavors with our mission of fostering the Love of God and Service to Humanity. Our core values of Faith, Community, Excellence, Partnership, and Service guide our path, encouraging each member of our community to contribute thoughtfully and purposefully. We strive to create an environment where students grow in knowledge, character, and compassion.



As we embrace both academic rigor and moral integrity, we prepare our students not only to achieve personal success but also to serve as compassionate leaders who uplift others. This holistic approach empowers us to build leaders who can impact the world positively, making each step count toward a better society. Let us walk this journey of growth together, transforming lives and inspiring change in the world.

My sincere thanks to all our faculty and staff and my best wishes to all our Desalites.

God bless all of us.

**REV. DR. BINU EDATHUMPARAMBIL, MSFS**  
**PRINCIPAL**



# GOVERNOR'S VISIT & UG GRADUATION DAY



St. Francis de Sales College celebrated a landmark occasion on 13th June 2024, with the declaration of autonomy, the 18th Graduation Day, and the 21st College Day in the Desalite Square. The Honorable Governor of Karnataka, Shri Tawar Chand Gehlot, graced the event, officially declaring the college autonomous and presenting the Autonomy Certificate to the Principal, Rev. Dr. Binu Edathumparambil. This grand celebration highlighted academic achievements and institutional progress, with distinguished dignitaries including the Vice Chancellor of Bangalore University, Hon. Dr. Jayakar S.M., Registrar Dr. Sheikh Lathif, and Provincial Rev. Dr. Thomas Kalariparambil, among others. The event was attended by faculty, staff, 699 graduates. The event featured a presentation of the college's annual report, department-wise certificate distribution, and vibrant cultural performances celebrating the institution's spirit.



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# DEEKSHARAMBHA - UG

Grand Beginning of a New Journey

Orientation programme for UG students

The induction program DEEKSHARAMBHA 2K24 commenced the academic year with a vibrant celebration of unity, tradition, and inspiration. The event featured a serene prayer, scripture readings symbolizing inclusivity, and a ceremonial lamp-lighting. Principal Dr. Binu Edathumparambil's inaugural address highlighted the college's autonomous status and focus on holistic development. Chief Guest Mr. Rajesh Pawar, CEO of Kasmo Technologies, and Guest of Honour Mr. Parag Kulkarni from Accenture, delivered motivating speeches on perseverance, innovation, and future-ready skills. Insights into academic and extracurricular opportunities were shared, and messages of support were extended by college leaders. The program concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks, setting an enthusiastic tone for the students' transformative journey ahead.



# TALENTIA 2K24

## CULTURAL & SPORTS CARNIVAL FOR FRESHERS



**Talentia 2K24** was inaugurated on July 27, 2024, in the presence of the Principal, Rev. Dr. Binu Edathumparambil and other dignitaries. In his opening remarks, Dr. Binu emphasized the importance of holistic development and encouraged students to embrace opportunities for growth in both cultural and athletic pursuits.



**Talentia 2024-25** was a resounding success, achieving its goal of uncovering hidden talents, promoting community spirit, and instilling a sense of teamwork among freshers. The week-long celebration created cherished memories for all participants and reaffirmed the college's commitment to fostering a balanced and enriching student experience.



# 78TH INDEPENDENCE DAY

The 78th Independence Day celebration of the SFS Group of Institutions was a vibrant tribute to freedom and unity, uniting students, faculty, and dignitaries in patriotic fervor. The event that was held in the SFS school ground began with the flag hoisting and national anthem, followed by inspiring speeches from dignitaries emphasizing unity and responsibility. A captivating patriotic dance by students highlighted the spirit of freedom and pride, earning admiration from the audience. The celebration showcased students' talents and patriotism, reinforcing their commitment to the nation's progress. Concluding on a high note, the event served as a meaningful reminder of India's heritage, collective aspirations, and the enduring spirit of freedom.



# STUDENT ELECTIONS



The Student Elections for the academic year 2024 at St. Francis De Sales College witnessed enthusiastic participation, promoting leadership development and active student representation. Candidates from various departments contested for key positions such as Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Cultural Secretary, Deputy Cultural Secretary, Sports Secretary, and Deputy Sports Secretary. A robust nomination and campaign process allowed candidates to present their visions for enhancing campus life. The election saw an impressive voter turnout, reflecting strong student interest in governance. Winners were celebrated for their commitment to improving student welfare, fostering inclusivity, and enhancing campus resources. The event reinforced the college's democratic culture and student engagement.



# GURUVANDANA

## TEACHERS' DAY CELEBRATION

The Teacher's Day celebration on September 5, 2024, at SFS College (Autonomous) brought together all the teachers and staff of the SFS Group of Institutions on the campus. It was a heartfelt event dedicated to honoring educators and their immense contributions to society. The chief guest of the day was Dr. Thimmappa Hegde, a known neurosurgeon and motivational speaker who inspired the audience with his lively speech and uplifting activity. The program featured various performances, including a vibrant dance by Nrithya and a special performance by faculty members, alongside heartfelt speeches that emphasized the profound impact of educators in shaping young minds.



# PRATHIBHA 2K24

## INTRACOLLEGIATE CULTURAL FIESTA

**PRAYAN** INAUGURATION OF DEPARTMENT ASSOCIATIONS

**INVESTITURE** EMPOWERING STUDENT LEADERS

The inaugural ceremony of PRATHIBHA 2K24 was a harmonious blend of tradition, talent, and celebration. Beginning with a soulful prayer by the college choir, the event set a warm and welcoming tone. The Principal, Rev. Dr. Binu Edathumparambil, inspired students to embrace their talents and make the most of such opportunities, while the Chief Guest, Mr. Lakhvinder Singh Virk, emphasized the transformative power of teamwork and participation.

The event featured captivating cultural performances, including a vibrant dance by the NRITHYA Team and a mesmerizing musical rendition by our Manager, Rev. Dr. Santhosh Kumar. Highlights included the Investiture Ceremony, where newly elected student leaders were honored, and a stirring performance by the Guest of Honor, Ms. Nadeera Banu, who encouraged students to express themselves through music and dance. Faculty members added a touch of camaraderie with a special performance, making the day truly memorable. The event concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks and the college anthem, leaving a lasting impression of unity, talent, and joy.



# FESTEMBER

## EMBRACE THE FESTIVE SPIRIT

**St. Francis de Sales College organized the FESTEMBER 2024 starting from the month of September. This event was a blend of creativity, talent and enthusiasm, providing a platform for the students to bring forward their skills and experience. The event encouraged students to draw their artistic impressions at different levels of participation. This celebration of Festember aimed to embrace the festive spirit for the next three months as well. In line with that, each school was allotted days to give their performances and conduct innovative games or activities to keep the students engaged.**



# VIBRANZZA 2K24

## INTRACOLLEGIATE PG CULTURAL & SPORTS FEST



**VIBRANZZA**, the Sports and Cultural Fest at St. Francis de Sales College, held on September 30 and October 1, 2024, was a dynamic celebration of sportsmanship and culture. The two-day fest began with a lively flashmob and featured a series of sports events like chess, kho-kho, and tug of war on the first day, fostering team spirit and camaraderie. The second day, focused on cultural performances, included a graceful welcome dance, solo and group song and dance performances, a lively JAM session, and a vibrant fashion show. Pre-event activities such as pencil sketching, mehndi, and rangoli added creative flair. The fest concluded with a prize distribution ceremony, recognizing exceptional talent and effort, and a heartfelt note of gratitude to all involved, making the event a resounding success.



# GANDHI JAYANTHI



**On October 2, 2024, Gandhi Jayanti, the birth anniversary of the father of the nation was celebrated by paying tribute to him and organizing Awareness Rally and Swachh Bharat Abhiyan in Hebbagodi by our NCC, KCD, RR and NSS Volunteers. The event aimed to honor Mahatma Gandhi's legacy by promoting cleanliness and environmental responsibility, aligning with his vision of a self-reliant and clean India. Students, teachers, and community members actively participated, spreading awareness about sanitation and the importance of a healthy environment.**



# RAZZMATAZZ 2K24

## NATIONAL LEVEL INTER-COLLEGIATE CULTURAL FIESTA

**RAZZMATAZZ 2K24**, the National Level Inter-Collegiate Cultural Fest at St. Francis De Sales College (Autonomous), Bengaluru, was a vibrant celebration of cultural diversity and student talent. Held at Desalite Square, the fest brought together students from various colleges, showcasing performances in music, dance, yoga, and more. The event began with a grand welcome ceremony and the lighting of the lamp, followed by an inspiring address by Chief Guest Justice Santhosh Hegde, emphasizing the importance of nation building through integrity of life and balancing cultural and academic growth. Guest of Honour Ms. Ankitha Kundu captivated the audience with a stunning musical performance, while the presence of dignitaries Dr. Mary Libby and Mrs. Marcia Costello from the USA added grace to the occasion. Coordinated by the Student Welfare Office and Cultural Committee, the fest successfully provided a platform for creativity and expression.



# GLOBAL CONNECTIONS

## CREATING OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND BORDERS



As part of our ongoing efforts to provide students with global opportunities, our college recently welcomed dignitaries from the United States, Canada, Cameroon, and other countries. These esteemed guests shared invaluable insights with our students, highlighting international trends and career prospects.



Our Principal, Rev. Dr. Binu Edathumparambil has visited several universities abroad, including De Sales University in Pennsylvania, Miami University in Ohio and the Catholic University of Eichstätt to build strong international relationships that benefit our students. These visits mark a significant milestone in our commitment to fostering a truly global educational experience.



# LET US DREAM

## COMMUNITY CONFERENCE

The Let Us Dream (LUD) Annual Conference, held at St. Francis De Sales College, Bangalore, centered on the theme *"Collaborative Strength: Empowered Networks for a Sustainable Future"* and brought together diverse stakeholders committed to societal upliftment. Through panel discussions, keynote speeches, and interactive sessions, the conference addressed critical issues in education, health, and youth employability, emphasizing the role of community support in achieving sustainable development goals. Highlights included panels on inclusive educational policies, mental and physical well-being, and skills for employability, as well as inspiring stories from grassroots changemakers. The conference strengthened community networks, empowered youth, and motivated participants to implement collaborative solutions, reinforcing the transformative power of collective action for a sustainable future.



# YOGA & MEDITATION

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS SESSION

The Department of Physical Education organized a yoga session for all the PG students on November 7, 2024, under the guidance of Mrs. Christina Mary, the Physical Education Coordinator and Yoga Instructor. A total of 60 students, both men and women, participated in the session, which included meditation and eight types of Pranayama, such as Anuloma-Viloma and Kapalabhati. The session emphasized yoga's role in promoting holistic health, including physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Students experienced the benefits of increased flexibility, stress relief, and mental clarity, leaving them motivated and appreciative of the practice.



# TALENTIA

## CULTURAL COMPETITIONS FOR PG FRESHERS



**TALENTIA 2K24**, a cultural event organized exclusively for PG freshers at **St. Francis De Sales College**, was held on **November 16, 2024**, in the **Mermier Auditorium**. The event provided a platform for new students to showcase their talents through eight creative competitions, including solo dance, solo singing, rangoli, mehandi, cook without fire, spot video making, digital poster making, and photography. With enthusiastic participation and vibrant performances, the event fostered cultural appreciation, and a sense of belonging among students. Concluding with a vote of thanks, **TALENTIA 2K24** successfully promoted artistic expression and unity, marking a joyful beginning for the freshers.



# DEEKSHARAMBHA - PG

## INDUCTION PROGRAMME FOR PG STUDENTS

The Deeksharamba Induction Program at St. Francis De Sales College formally welcomed first-year postgraduate students into the institution, emphasizing a seamless transition into academic life. Organized collaboratively by IQAC and all schools, the program introduced students to the college's culture, policies, and support systems while inspiring enthusiasm for their academic journey. The event featured a motivating keynote address by Chief Guest Mr. John K. John, who emphasized building a strong academic foundation and fostering leadership skills. Principal Rev. Fr. Binu warmly welcomed the students, underscoring the institution's commitment to excellence and holistic growth. Academic Coordinator Ms. Sailaja provided a detailed orientation on college policies and committees, while faculty members, including Ms. Annie and Ms. Ashwini, offered insights into the examination system, academic calendar, welfare initiatives, and student support services. Interactive sessions allowed students to engage with faculty, addressing their queries and building confidence for their journey ahead.



# KANNADOTHSAVA

## KANNADA RAJYOTHSAVA CELEBRATION



The Kannada Rajyotsava celebration, "Kannadotsava 2024," was organized by the Department of Kannada and Student Welfare Office. The event featured Dr. Shravya S. Rao, a renowned singer and Sa Re Ga Ma Pa finalist, as the chief guest, and Rev. Dr. Santosh Kumar as the president. The program began with a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony and a vibrant cultural dance performance, celebrating the rich heritage of Karnataka. Inspirational speeches highlighted the responsibility of the youth in preserving the Kannada language and culture. Dr. Shravya S Rao enthralled the audience with her melodious songs, and students excelling in academics and cultural events were honored with awards and certificates. The program included various cultural competitions and concluded with a heartfelt vote of thanks and a message of unity and pride, leaving participants inspired and connected to their cultural roots.



# PG GRADUATION DAY

## JOURNEY TOWARDS BRIGHT FUTURE

The Postgraduate Graduation Day at St. Francis De Sales College, held on December 7, 2024, was a momentous occasion celebrating the academic accomplishments of 152 postgraduate students. The event was graced by Chief Guest Prof. Dr. Srinivas Chowdappa, Registrar of Evaluation of Bangalore University, who delivered an inspiring address. Guest of Honor Rev. Dr. Joy Mampally from Suvidya College, along with Rev. Dr. Binu, Principal, Rev. Fr. Robin, Finance Administrator, and Rev. Fr Albin, Assistant Dean of the School of Business & Management and Director of the Student Welfare Office, were also present. Parents joined the celebration, making it a memorable day marked by pride, gratitude, and encouragement for the graduates to embrace future opportunities with confidence and determination.



# FELIZ NAVIDAD 2024

## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS



St. Francis de Sales College celebrated its annual Christmas program, Feliz Navidad, with great joy and enthusiasm on December 23, 2024. The event brought together faculty and staff for a heartwarming celebration of the season. Rev. Dr. Jacob Parapally delivered an inspiring Christmas message, emphasizing the spirit of love, hope, and togetherness. The program concluded with a festive lunch, fostering friendship and the holiday spirit among the Management, Faculty & Staff.



# FORGING FRIENDSHIP

## A CELEBRATION OF TOGETHERNESS ON CAMPUS

On 25th December 2024, our campus was filled with joy as around 40 Northeast families came together to celebrate Christmas. The event was a beautiful blend of tradition and togetherness, featuring heartfelt prayers, a festive cake-cutting ceremony, and lively interactions among the attendees. It was a moment of shared happiness, where everyone relished the true spirit of Christmas. Our campus is always open to people from all states, creating a welcoming space for diverse communities to come together, celebrate, and create lasting memories.



# HELPING HANDS

## DESALITE INITIATIVE FOR SOCIAL & HOLISTIC ACTIVITIES



As part of an impactful extension activity, A group of 71 Desalites visited the Centre for Integral Rural Welfare (CIRW), an NGO in Anekal, on 10th January 2025. Sr. Rufin Mangali, the event coordinator and Dr. Regimol Thomas accompanied the team. The visit emphasized the importance of hard work, empathy, and social responsibility. Fr. Arvin Pais SJ motivated the students through a session on social causes and explained about hard life of the migrant workers. Students actively engaged as laborers for a day, experiencing the challenges of physical labor firsthand by helping in making and arranging bricks. They also spent their quality time with the children of the locality. Their earnings from this effort were generously contributed to support CIRW's mission.

This initiative not only deepened their understanding of rural welfare but also instilled a strong sense of commitment towards social causes, aligning with the college's vision of Excellence, Efficiency, and Transformation.

# INTERNATIONAL AWARDS



**2ND RUNNERS UP**

**DELHI'S INTERNATIONAL  
ETHNIK FOLKFLORE FESTIVAL - 2024**



**MS. SOUBHAYA**

**KATA GOLD**

**MALAYSIA  
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**&**

**PARTICIPATED IN THE TECHNICAL SEMINAR ON KATA AND KUMITE  
SHITORYU KARATE ASSOCIATION, SINGAPORE**

**FIRST PLACE  
BADMINTON  
&  
SECOND PLACE  
VOLLEYBALL**



**INDO - NEPAL  
INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP - 2024**

# **NATIONAL, STATE & UNIVERSITY CHAMPIONSHIPS**



**MR. SWAROOP**  
**GOLD MEDAL**  
**WUSHU**  
**CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**- 2024**



**MR. MD SAMEER ANSARI**  
**SELECTED AS PLAYER**  
**KARNATAKA STATE**  
**CRICKET ASSOCIATION**  
**CLUB**



**FIRST PLACE**  
**TUG OF WAR - WOMEN**  
**&**  
**THIRD PLACE**  
**TUG OF WAR - MEN**

**STATE LEVEL TUG OF WAR TOURNAMENT,**  
**TUMKUR ASSOCIATION**

**2ND RUNNERS UP**  
**INTERCOLLEGIATE**  
**BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT**  
**BANGALORE UNIVERSITY**



# NCC/KCD/RR



## NATIONAL YOUTH MEET CAMP

## NATIONAL LEVEL ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS CUM TREKKING CAMP



## STATE LEVEL GEETHA GAYANA COMPETITION 2024







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**24 JANUARY 2025**

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**We wish everyone a joyful and blessed Feast of St. Francis de Sales, our patron of love, humility, and gentleness. May his teachings inspire us to lead lives of excellence and service!**