

ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN STUDENTS

ANNUAL REPORT

JULY

Holy Mass for the beginning of the New Academic Year

14/07/2023

Chapel

Association of Christian Students Club kickstarted this year with a special holy mass that was said on July 14th at 11:30 a.m. at our chapel. Rev Fr. Praveen officiated the mass. Sr. Rosa - our club incharge, Andrea ma'am - the then choir incharge, nuns, various students and numerous other educators were in attendance. It was celebrated to mark the start of the first-year college students' new academic year. The ACS executives and a few ACS members sang beautifully in the choir. Everyone engaged fully in the liturgy. With God's mercy and blessings, the students got a wonderful opportunity to start their academic journey on a delightful note.





AUGUST

Holy Mass for the Feast of Assumption of Our Lady & Independence Day

15/08/2023

Chapel

On the morning of August 15, 2023, at 7:15 AM, Reverend Fr. Praveen led a heartfelt Holy Mass at the chapel, blending the celebration of the Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady with India's 77th Independence Day. The chapel echoed with hymns in different languages, reflecting a diverse congregation. Reverend Fr. Praveen's guidance added a spiritual touch, merging religious devotion with patriotic spirit. Simple yet meaningful, the chapel featured an artful display: flower petals arranged to form a dove, its wings leaving behind an outline resembling the Indian flag. The congregation joyfully reflected on Mary's journey to heaven after earthly martyrdom, drawing parallels with India's path to freedom. This humble blend of faith and patriotism made the Holy Mass for Independence Day a cherished and uplifting gathering for everyone present .



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SEPTEMBER

Eleganza Mismatched Edition

01/09/2023

AVF

The Eleganza Mismatched event, held at AV Front and Back on 1st of September, was a unique pageant show, judged by our college faculty, Ma'am Nishtha Dev and Ma'am Elwin John, which brought together students eager to showcase their mismatched fashion sense. The event started with upbeat music as students strutted down the ramp in outfits that were close to the theme Barbie-Oppenheimer. After the ramp walk, participants faced a round of questions where Ma'am Nishtha Dev and Ma'am Elwin John, posed thought-provoking questions. Winners were selected based on a mix of unique style, confidence on the runway, and the ability to articulate their thoughts during the question round. This was to also show how they presented themselves. A separate photography element allowed students to capture the event's essence and share their favourite moments. This added a fun touch to the overall experience and was a celebration of individuality and creative expression.



Inner Journey

30/09/2023

AV HALL

In the month of September, an event filled with significant energy, titled ‘Inner Journey’, was held, on 30th September 2023 at 1.30 pm bringing with it a transformative experience through dance. This event took place in the College’s AV hall, gathering approximately 35-40 students in anticipation of an experience that extended beyond mere dancing. Sister Charlotte initiated the event by sharing her own experiences with dance, particularly her memories of performing the Jive with her brother. As she discussed the importance of peace, the event evolved into a blend of movement and reflection. Motivated by the theme of peace, the students worked together to create a pose that symbolised the harmony they aimed to achieve. Through dance, they communicated emotions such as anger and sadness, creating a shared language that enriched our collective experience. As the music played, any initial hesitations disappeared, and the students fully engaged in the dance, each movement reflecting a deep grace that stemmed from within. The dance became more than a series of steps; it was an act of genuine expression and self-discovery, turning the dance floor into a sacred space for personal insight. To further this reflective journey, Sister Charlotte provided coloured pencils, prompting participants to draw ‘what defines you.’ Through this artistic endeavour, the event transformed into a collection of individual narratives that contributed to a larger, collective story. It was a celebration of unity, not only in physical movement but in the journey of exploring one’s inner self. Thus, the ‘Inner Journey’ event in September became a chapter of shared happiness, laughter, and self-exploration—a dance that moved beyond simple steps to become a deep investigation into the essence of the human spirit.



OCTOBER

Jesus Youth Meet

07/10/2023

Chapel

On the 7th of October, two members of the Jesus Youth group visited our college to meet with our club, accompanied by Sister Rosa and another sister. The session, starting at 11 AM, commenced with prayer and Bible readings, followed by personal reflections from each participant. After sharing individual updates, concise prayer intentions were conveyed, leading into a time of singing and worship that fostered a spiritually charged atmosphere.

The gathering emphasised the exchange of thoughts, prayers, and expressions of faith, fostering unity and a shared spiritual experience. Sister Rosa and her colleague played active roles, nurturing an inclusive environment for open communication and communal worship. This visit not only strengthened bonds within the club but also provided a platform for spiritual growth and communal expression of faith, leaving a lasting impression on the importance of community and prayer in our lives.





NOVEMBER

Trip to Pune

08/11/2023 - 12/11/2023

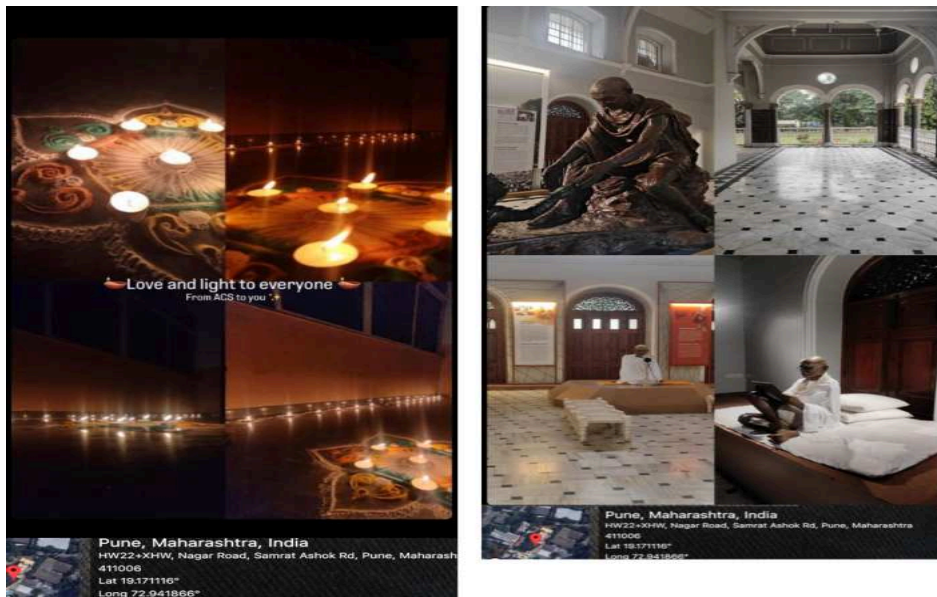
Pune

On the 8th of November, our group embarked on a train journey from Dadar station to Pune, fostering new friendships. Arriving at Prerna House, hosted by the Sisters of the Society of Sacred Heart, we eagerly anticipated the day ahead.

The following morning started with breakfast, followed by a visit to Maher House, where we engaged with children through songs and games. Reflecting on life's purpose at River Sangam, we found serenity amidst nature's embrace, concluding the day with dinner back at the convent.

The next day, we visited Wagholi Vatsalyadham, engaging in acts of compassion with elderly women and individuals facing mental health challenges. Our exploration continued with a visit to the historic Aga Khan Palace, witnessing the memorial to Mahatma Gandhi, before returning to Prerna House for Diwali celebrations.

The final day began with a visit to the Sacred Hearts Sisters and the Kripa Foundation, where we heard testimonies and performed a skit. A bonding session and a discussion on energy levels followed, concluding with a Eucharist ceremony and farewells, marking the end of a memorable journey.



Exploring Faith Journeys

22/11/2023

Online: Zoom

On the 22nd of November The ACS Club hosted a thought-provoking event “Exploring Faith Journeys” on an insightful afternoon at 3:00 pm with Sr. Deoditta on the Zoom platform, delving into the intricacies of our faith journeys. The gathering provided a unique platform for members to share stories and engage in personal reflections, unveiling the beauty of diverse perspectives on the meaning of God in our lives.

Throughout the event, Sr. Deoditta guided the discussions, creating a warm and open space for attendees to express their thoughts. The atmosphere was one of genuine connection and mutual understanding as participants shared their experiences, beliefs, and the various ways faith has shaped their lives. It was evident that the discussions not only fostered a deeper understanding of individual faith journeys but also strengthened the sense of community within the ACS Club.

The insights gained from the event serve as a testament to the importance of providing spaces for open dialogue and sharing within

our community. The ACS Club remains committed to organising events that promote understanding, connection, and personal growth among its members.



DECEMBER

St. Madeline Sophie Holy Mass

12/12/2023

Chapel

On December 12th, the ACS club organised a solemn mass at 8 in the morning to concurrently celebrate College Day, St. Madeline Sophie Day, and Principal's Day. This significant gathering was a testament to the unity and strong sense of community among the faculty, students, and our Principal. The mass was a reflective occasion, incorporating prayers, an insightful sermon, and the ACS club choir's rendition of beautiful hymns. These elements of the service highlighted the core values of service and leadership, which are not only integral to our institution but also to the legacy of St. Madeline Sophie.

Following the mass, the attendees exchanged greetings in honour of St. Madeline Sophie's feast day, fostering a sense of connection and renewed commitment to the college's mission of excellence and altruism. The event left a profound impact on all participants, reinforcing the communal bonds and dedication to the principles that guide our college. This celebration served as a reminder of our collective commitment to not just academic achievement, but also to making a positive difference in the lives of others.



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Retrograde

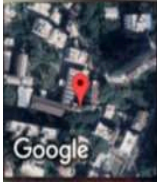
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AV HALL

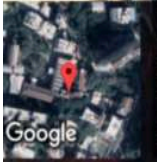
The Retrograde event, a delightful fusion of singing and dancing with a Retro Christmas theme, was held on December 20th at 3 pm, showcasing the successful collaboration between the Acs club and The WMDC club in the AV hall. Esteemed judges Mr. Amit and Miss Sukanya evaluated the dance performances, while Sir Ivan John lent his expertise to the singing category, with Sr. Rosa offering support and motivation to the participants. The senior executives from both clubs played a crucial role in decorating the venue, significantly contributing to the event's festive and lively atmosphere.

A memorable highlight was the judges' expression of gratitude towards all participants for their enthusiastic and spirited performances, alongside a reciprocal gesture of appreciation from the club secretaries, who presented the judges with bouquets. The event wrapped up on a high note with post-event dancing, where participants, judges, and attendees alike shared in the joy and unity of the celebration. Retrograde stood out as a festive testament to talent, collaboration, and the retro charm that encapsulated the spirit of the Christmas season.



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Christmas Wishing

23/12/2023

MPH

On December 23, 2023, at 11:30 AM, a heartwarming Christmas Wishing gathering took place in the college's Multipurpose Hall (MPH). Organized by the ACS club, the event brought together teachers, students, and various departments for a festive celebration.

The gathering commenced with a warm welcome and opening remarks from the principal, setting a joyous tone for the event. Subsequently, different departments, teachers, and clubs, including ACS, showcased their talents with a variety of performances, ranging from singing to dancing.

The ACS club's dance routine added an energetic and festive touch to the gathering, resonating with the audience and contributing to the overall holiday spirit. Laughter and applause filled the MPH as everyone joined in the celebration.

The Christmas Wishing gathering concluded with a closing prayer, expressing gratitude for the festive moments shared by all.

This collaborative effort by the ACS club, held in the MPH, provided a delightful space for the college community to come together, celebrate, and embrace the holiday spirit on the eve of Christmas.



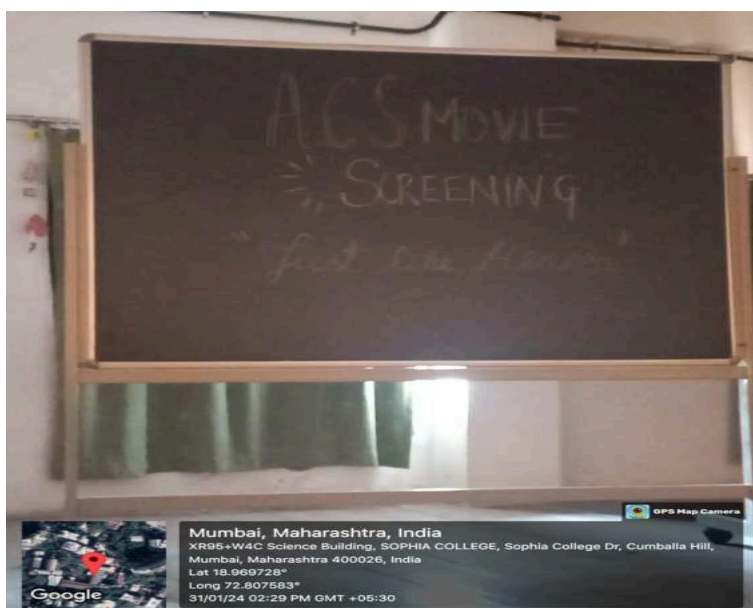
JANUARY

Just like Heaven **Movie Screening**

31/01/2023

AVF

The new year kicked off with an engaging event hosted by the ACS Club on January 31st from 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm at venue AV F. The club organized a screening of the romantic comedy "Just Like Heaven," open to all, not just club members. The movie, recommended by a senior executive, depicted an unexpected encounter between two strangers in an apartment, leading to a surprising love story. Intriguingly, the female lead had already passed away, prompting the characters to embark on a quest to uncover her true identity. The film conveyed a poignant message, emphasizing the importance of cherishing life's small yet significant moments and believing in the notion that everything happens for a reason. Following the screening, attendees participated in a lively discussion, sharing their thoughts on the movie's performance, storyline, and captivating characters. The atmosphere was filled with smiles reflecting love and joy as the event concluded on a positive note.



Fellowship Gathering

12/01/2023

Chapel

The ACS Club orchestrated a splendid fellowship gathering on the 12th of January at 11:30 AM, within the hallowed confines of the College Chapel. The esteemed Sister Deodita presided over the congregation, delving into the profound topic of faith. Accompanying us as an esteemed guest was Sister Vimala, whose presence added a special grace to the occasion.

The proceedings commenced with Anette eloquently reciting a passage from the Bible, centered around the poignant narrative of the paralyzed man and his encounter with Jesus. This scriptural foundation set the stage for insightful discussions on the essence of faith and its significance.

Participants engaged in a thoughtful dialogue, exploring the nuanced dimensions of "What is faith?" and "What does faith mean to oneself?" The biblical reflection served as a catalyst, opening up channels for

individuals to share personal anecdotes and reflections on their experiences of faith in their lives.

Sister Deodita, drawing from the rich tapestry of her journey toward becoming a nun, shared profound insights on the growth of faith, emphasizing the individuality of faith experiences and the intrinsic nature of personal beliefs. Sister Vimala also contributed to the discourse, offering her compelling narratives and perspectives on the profound subject of faith.

As the gathering unfolded, attendees found themselves enriched with a deeper understanding of the intricate layers of 'faith.' The event concluded on a celebratory note, capturing the essence of the occasion by immortalizing moments through photographs, ensuring that the fellowship left an indelible mark on the collective consciousness of all present.



