

ANNUAL REPORT 2022-23

I am very delighted to present the Annual Report of Santhigiri College of the academic year 2022-23. The foregoing year depicts vividly the fast marching steps of Santhigiri College to reach the top. We never bartered discipline for honor. Each throbbing progression is a reminder of profound loss, each rise a wailing refusal to accept the irreversibility of such a loss. This year truly exhibited the overflow of divine Graces that trespassed the boundaries. It is only with a sublime mind overwhelmed in transcending waves that I dare to present the varied activities of this academic year.

### **Our Academic Programs**

Programs at Santhigiri College
Presently, we have the following Programs in Santhigiri College:

### **PG Programs:**

- + MCA
- MSW
- + M.Com

### **UG Programs:**

- + BCA
- B.Com with Computer Applications
- B.Com with Finance & Taxation
- BBA
- BA Animation & Graphic Design.
- B.Sc Psychology
- + CCA

The flow of students to various foreign countries resulted in the diminution of inflow of students to the colleges in Kerala compared to yesteryear, casting a shadow on several colleges. By the grace of God, Santhigiri college was not very much affected by the dearth of admissions.

This year showed a significant rush for admission to the BCA program. This is mainly due to the affluent placements secured by the BCA students. For the first time, admissions to BCA trespassed 130.

The present strength of the college:

PROGRAM	ADMITTED 2020	ADMITTED 2021	ADMITTED 2022	TOTAL 3 Years
BCA	129	128	131	388
B.Com Model II Computer Application	46	36	38	120
B.Com Model II Finance & Taxation	48	49	26	123
BBA	53	40	32	125
BA Animation & Graphic Design	52	43	37	132
BSc Psychology	18	19	20	57
MCA	41	29	35	105
MSW	30	31	27	88
M.Com	6	6	8	20
Total	423	381	354	1158

# Starting of the New academic year

Classes for the new academic year 2022-23 started on June 8, 2022. Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI, Principal, conducted a special prayer service to grace the academic year with the blessings of the Almighty God.

#### **GOVERNING BODY OF SANTHIGIRI COLLEGE**

Sl. No.	Name	Designation
1	Rev. Fr. Biju Koottaplackal CMI	Patron
2	Rev. FR. Rinoj Vattakanayil CMI	Manager
3	Rev. Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI	Principal
4	Rev. Fr. Anish Cheruthanickal CMI	Secretary
5	Rev. Fr. Dino Mathew CMI	Bursar
6	Rev. Dr. Boby Thalikaparambil CMI	Principal, SIM
7	Mr. P. J Joseph MLA	MLA & Former Minister
8	Prof. Cyriac Thomas	Former Vice-Chancellor, MG University
9	Dr. MC Dileep Kumar	Former Vice-Chancellor, Sreesankaracharya University, Kalady
10	Prof. T M Joseph	Retired Principal, Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha



# **PTA Committee:**

1. Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI

2. Fr. Anish Cheruthanickal

3. Mr. Jiji Varghese

4. Mr.Mahesh P.R

5. Mr. Gibin George

6. Mr. PM John

7. Ms. Bindu Alexander

8. Mr. Benny Kurian

9. Ms. Tessy Paulose

10. Mr. O. I Varghese

11. Mr. Josmon Stephan

12. Mr. CB Harikrishnan

President
Administrator
Vice-President.
(Coordinator)

## **Faculty of Santhigiri College**

Presently, we have 41 teaching staff and 38 non-teaching staff in the college. 16 teachers left the college and 17 joined the departments during this academic year.

## **Faculty Development Program - Faculty Retreat**

The staff training program of this year was conducted on 6 & 7 June at Santhigiri College. The program on 6 June was a training on EMBASE - a software application for the college. Mr. Eldo, a professional trainer conducted sessions in the afternoon. Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI, Principal, gave the orientation talk on 7 June emphasising the plans and strategies for the academic year. It was followed by Department planning and Cell planning for the year. This program was the planning sessions for the entire academic year and the staff was academically, mentally and spiritually equipped for educating our student community for this academic year.

### **Preparation for NAAC Accreditation**

We were preparing at different levels for the NAAC accreditation and it brought very good results. In order to speed up the preparations and to move on the right path, Prof. TM Joseph, an expert in this field was giving the right directions. We hope to have the NAAC visit in 2023. Special training programs of NAAC preparation and documentation were given several times during this year. This preparation is tedious but enormously enhances the quality of our teaching and learning process.

### **Placements**

Santhigiri College has become the self-financing college with the highest number of placements in this part of the State. We secured 100% placements for M.Com and placements of other programs are going on only. As of now, 49 students are placed and this year, we hope to reach the placement record of last year (214).

# Our major placement partners:





# Deloitte.



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## **Placement Training**

Placement training has been given paramount importance in the college. It starts in the first semester itself. We have developed a syllabus for the placement training that is extended to all the semesters. Reputed resource persons from outside continuously train our students. TCS offers every year a special training package for our students.

# **University Exam results.**

PROGRAM	Students appeared	Passed	Percentage
BCA	102	102	100
B.Com CA	46	38	83
B.Com F&T	48	26	54
BBA	47	34	72
BA Animation & Graphic Design	49	37	78
MCA	11 <b>40</b>	11 40	100 100
MSW	30	30	100
M.Com	6	6	100

## **Animation Lab**

We equipped our lab with 40 high configuration systems suitable for the animation and graphic designing students.

# **Teaching and Learning aids**

NEP 2020 calls for radical changes in our vision of higher education. In tune with the emerging trends, Santhigiri College also has risen to respond to the new challenges. We have introduced new teaching and learning methodologies like experiential learning, blended learning, outbound learning, participatory learning and flipped learning. All the classrooms have been equipped with audio-visual aids for effective teaching. Interactive panels have been installed in 7 classrooms, TVs and LCD projectors in other rooms.

#### **EMBASE Software**

Santhigiri College purchased EMBASE Cloud Pro-Suit - Campus Management Software from EMBASE PRO SUIT PRIVATE LIMITED, AR Nagar, Malapuram, Kerala. Service Agreement was signed. We have already implemented their plans and more modules are to be introduced in the coming months. This has greatly accelerated and automated our various functions.

# **New Networking**

It was necessary for our college to enhance our networking system for effective learning. We have purchased from AEM technologies. Ernakulam various items, including Firewall. This has made Santhigiri College with excellent networking in all the classrooms and the entire campus.

### **Holistic Education**

As one of our best practices, we conduct Holistic Education classes regularly. It helps the holistic growth of our students.

## Mentoring

Yet another best practice in our college is Mentoring. This is also taking place in the college on a regular basis. This has been found to be a very good tool for better guidance and character formation of the students. Mentors meet their clients twice a month.

### Counseling

We are conducting counseling for the students. Many of the students avail this opportunity in a proper manner. Several acute mental problems of the students were successfully handled by the counselors. As emotional and mental problems are surging after the COVID season, counseling has become an exigent component in higher education.

#### NSS

COVID 19 hindered the regular functioning of NSS in the college. As an innovative program, NSS unit of Santhigiri College was very active and has earlier received awards and laurels from the University. NSS annual camp was conducted online with specific activities at the homes and neighbourhood of the NSS volunteers.

### Santhigiri Gymnasium

A Gymnasium with modern machines was equipped for the fitness and discipline of the students. It was inaugurated on 24 September by Mr. Thomas Pytnal, Pachayath President of Purapuzha Panchayath. This has been daily used by boys and girls.

## **Santhigiri Community College**

The main objective of community college is to offer affordable and accessible skill-based courses to the youth community around the college, actualizing our social responsibility to the community around us. Community College was inaugurated on 24 August 2021 by Minister Roshy Augustine.

Under Santhigiri Community College, a program named CASP is functioning actively. 22 bright children from poor families around the college are given a tuition program on all Sundays. They are provided with a children's library and games and sports facilities. They receive financial assistance for the purchase of dress and other study materials. Their parents' meeting, tour program, celebration of festivals etc are part of CASP. We have established a strong bond with 22 families and is considered as the extended community of Santhigiri College.

Parakkadavu colony in Thodupuzha municipality is the adopted colony of Santhigiri College. They were given waste bins, food kits, carry bags, medicines, counselling, therapeutic assistance for children with disabilities, income generation programs and grow bags with seedlings. There is a self-help group of Santhigiri College with 20 families. Community college vivifies social responsibility of Santhigiri College.

#### **Gandhi Smriti**

Gandhi Smriti is an initiative of Santhigiri College to propagate the life message of Mahatma Gandhi. It was inaugurated by PJ Joseph MLA on January 6, 2022. A Gandhi Smriti program was initiated on September 7 with department-wise competitions and a public meeting.

### **Chavara Chair**

We have created the Chavara Chair in Santhigiri College to commemorate the magnificent contributions St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, the founder of CMI Congregation. Chavara Chair was inaugurated on 24 September 2021 by the Rev.Fr. Biju Koottaplackal CMI. Provincial of Carmel Province, Muvattupuzha. Two lecture series were conducted by Dr. Kurias Kumbalakuzhy, the Incumbant. A speech competition on the educational vision of St. Chavara was conducted for the students.

#### Campus Radio/Santhivoice, Campus Television/Santhivision

Campus radio is a mini radio station managed by the students of the college meant to broadcast educational programs, cultural items and to train and promote student artists. Campus Television creates opportunities for the students to author the culture of the day, produce visual programs and thus enliven their talents. The cell has prepared a few programs.

This unit was inaugurated by Prof. Cyrias Thomas, former Vice-Chancellor of MG University on 6 January 2022.

#### **Commerce Lab, Management Lab:**

The main objective of a commerce lab is to create avenues for the students to practice the theoretical knowledge they gain in the classrooms.

Various issues pertaining to business, finance, marketing and other business functions will be exposed to the students in the management lab. Commerce lab and management lab were inaugurated by Dr. Dileep Kumar, former Vice-Chancellor of Kalady Sankaracharya University on January 6, 2022.

## **CCA for Students with Disabilities**

Santhigiri College is offering a specially designed vocational training course to Students with Disabilities (SwD). Since the majority of them have learning disability, the training has a special focus on this group. We have purchased Learning Tools for Management of Specific Learning Disorders developed by German experts. Along with that, they are given training in computer skills, paper crafts, cloth bag manufacturing, book binding etc. as per their abilities.

### Go Green - Go with Nature:

As part of creating a green campus, we have equipped Herbal Garden, Fruits Garden, Spices Garden and a flower garden. We have a wonderful green campus with flowers and trees that change with the seasons. We also secured a green audit certificate

# **Waste management**

A proper and scientific waste management system was created in Santhigiri College. A unit of three waste bins were placed on all the floors and at various locations on the campus. Two central waste segregation and management units were also created for the campus.

# **Scholarships**

SC has offered this year a fee concession to 73 students and that amounts to Rs.805700-. The hostel expense is around 1500000 yearly. Altogether, SC has spent Rs. 2305700 this year for scholarships and charity.

# Library

We purchased a new library software - Koha ILS (Cloud) giving the students and staff online access to the library. We have subscribed to N-LIST - National Library and Information Services Infrastructure for Scholarly Content. It provides e-resources. to students and faculty. It is a college component of e-ShodhSindhu consortium with access to 6000+journals and 199,500+ ebooks. We also subscribed to DELNET - Developing Library Network, a major resource sharing library network in India connecting more than 7700 institutions in 33 states.

Reading habits are disappearing from our community and as part of cultivating the reading mind, one hour is allotted to all the batches in a week.

### **Pastime**

Pastimes, besides the classes, will refresh the minds and bodies of the students. One hour per week is allotted to all the classes for sports and games.

#### **Xavier Board**

The Xavier Board is the central organization of all the Christian colleges in India. Fr.Paul Parakattel, Principal, participated in the meeting held at At. Alberts College, Ernakulam. Fr. Paul and Fr.Anish participated in another conference conducted in Goa.

#### MoUs

Santhigiri College signed a Memorandum of Understanding with 26 colleges and institutions from Kerala and outside. These MoUs give opportunity for student and staff exchange programs, staff development, research and the like.

### Cells & Clubs

There are 57 cells and clubs functioning in the college. All these units function as different organs of the same body, harmonizing beauty and charm in the institution and at the same time ensure quality enhancement in the teaching and learning processes and the integral development of the institution.

The different activities undertaken by the cells and clubs provide the students with opportunities for a vibrant campus life. They have the chances to develop their skills and organizing capacities.

### Yoga

Yoga is an integral part of Indian culture and philosophy. It originated in India and it has proved to be an effective tool to control human body and mind. Yoga brings us closer to nature and it is also good for physical fitness and is a part of Ayurveda treatment. Yoga classes classes are conducted on all Tuesdays on a routine basis for all the classes.

### **Induction Programs**

The induction program for the first year UG and PG programs was conducted on September 2, 2002. The induction program with the lighting of the lamp and transferring the light to the teachers and students with prayers and chants created a heavenly bliss for all the participants. The newcomers, together with their parents, were welcomed by Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI, Principal. Dr. Raju Krishnapuram was the resource person of the day.

MCA induction was conducted on 12 September with Dr.Dhanya Job, our former HOD of Computer Science Department.

### **Department Days**

All the departments conducted Department days. This enabled department-wise get-together, better teamwork in the departments, and entertainment for the students.

## Sad demise of Mr. Anand

With deepest sorrow I mention about the sad demise of Anand KL, faculty of MSW Department on May 04, 2022 by a bike accident at Perumballoor, Muvattupuzha. He was a young, vibrant staff of Santhigiri College. May his soul rest in peace.

### Award

The Human Rights Commission endowed Guru Sreshta Award to Fr. Paul Parakattel CMI, the Principal, for his unique contributions in the field of education and social work. P Mohandas, member of the Human Rights Commission, mentioned that Fr. Paul converted a deserted village into an education hub and his rehabilitation works are praiseworthy.

## **Barrier-free campus - 100%**

Santhigiri College may be the only college in the State with a 100% barrier-free campus and it attracts many public and private parties for study and research. Here, a wheelchair user can enter, reach and use all the classrooms, offices, toilets, conference halls, chapel and everywhere. We always proclaim proudly, "we have a heart for the handicapped".

### **SCOP:**

Santhigiri College Out-Reach Program is unique in character and display. The college runs a hostel for children with disabilities. The college with its welfare projects supported the study, treatment, self help programs of 74 children with disabilities, physiotherapy for 40 children with disabilities at their houses, supply of appliances and counselling for the needy belonging to the nearby panchayaths. We have Community Based programs in 10 panchayaths. In the college, we have a printing press giving employment for 21 persons with disabilities (PWD), a workshop with 3 employees, Santhisoft - the software firm of the college, employs 12 young people, including one PwD (Person with Disability). We have also adopted a colony in Thodupuza Municipality.

## College day

College Day of last year was held on 27 May 2022. Dr. Kerala Varma, Syndicate Member of MG University, was the chief guest. Fr. Biju Koottaplackal CMI, Provincial of Carmel Province, Muvattupuzha presided over the function. The cultural programs of each batch were staged, followed by a DJ.

## The Alumni Association

The Alumni meetings were conducted at class levels by several departments during this academic year. A few alums were there and they motivated and interacted with the students

### **Arts & Sports**

Arts day was held on 19 January. and Sports Day was held on 20 January, 2023. Our spacious indoor court has been well utilized by the students to play shuttle, volleyball ball, basketball, throw ball and futsal.

# 20 Years of Santhigiri College

Cherishing the sweet memories by going back through the pathways starting in 2002, we celebrated 20 years of Santhigiri College on August 9, 2022 with Minister Antony Raju and PJ Joseph MLA. The grace of God through the incessant blessings mark the milestones of growth of 36 students and the single MCA program to 1158 students and 9 programs. The graduation ceremony was also conducted on this day.

### **Conclusion**

Santhigiri College is on the wheels. We strive earnestly to be the best in giving our students a guided destination. We put all our efforts into improving the teaching and learning processes. Our concerted efforts to send out our students after completing their programs with purity of heart, maturity in words and deeds, excelling in skills and knowledge and with an appointment order in their hands. They leave this campus with the sweet memories of their balmy days fizzing with an altogether unusual exuberance. Dreams are necessary and we fly beyond the clouds. Our global infrastructure facilities, added with committed and professional staff, enables us to offer the best for our students

I take this opportunity to thank, most sincerely, all those who accompany us in our journey to build a new generation who are excellent in character and excel in knowledge and skills. The committed teaching staff of Santhigiri College have succeeded in awakening our students to the future by focusing on their holistic and integral development, rooted in faith in God, justice, knowledge and human values. The non-teaching staff of Santhigiri College offering dedicated services to the growth and development of the institution is unparalleled.

I, in communion with the monastery community, express my deep felt thanks to all those who have participated in the growth and development of Santhigiri College. I thank the Almighty God for his abundant blessings that he has showered upon us. I pray the intercession of Holy Mary and St. Chavara in all our future endeavors.

Thanking you all very much Fr.Paul Parakattel CMI Principal.

