



Closing Ceremony of quasiquicentennial Jubilee year at St. Joseph's College - Colombo 10

Jubilee theme:
Building Lives; Inculcating values

St. Joseph's College - Colombo 10, one of the main premier Catholic schools in the island is getting ready to mark the end of its quasiquicentennial Jubilee year (1896-2021) though scheduled to be held in the previous year impeded by the unforeseen Covid 19 Pandemic eventuated to delay its celebration to 2022. It is no doubt, St. Joseph's has contributed immensely to the National Education and to the country at large producing influential leaders in various strata of life. What St. Joseph's has been to each of its alumni and to the society could be summed up in the words of Rev. Fr. Rector, Ranjith Andradi: "We strive to make an odyssey of learning and not the drudgery of books. The hallmark of a Josephian lies in his ability to capture the essence of what College can enduringly hand over to him packaged in the infallible character that is sealed in proper guidance in spirituality and morality."

Under his abled leadership and the entire Josephian community is now waiting impatiently its glamorous closing ceremony of the 125th jubilee which is to take place on Thursday, 15th of June 2022 at 8.30 a.m. onwards. Following is a detailed account of the events that befell during the jubilee period.

The Jubilee Year Launch - A Multifaceted Historical Happening

Rays of the sun that embraced the monumental Clock Tower building at St. Joseph's ushered with them the dawn of yet another historic day. It was the 2nd of March 2020. Exactly after 124 years when College was first initiated for the students. Boys and teachers together with priests assembled at the gigantic sports complex cum auditorium.

Three eminent old boys of our Alma Mater were invited as guest speakers at the event. Namely they were; Mr. Hiran Cooray, Managing Director, Jetwing Group of Hotels. Mr. Romesh De Silva, President's Counsel and Mr. Jonathan Alles, Managing Director, HNB.

The speakers shared their life experiences here at St. Joseph's while they were students. The academic and spiritual upbringing into which they were immersed was emphatically brought out. No doubt those eloquent deliveries remained in the hearts and minds of young Josephians with inspired vigor to bloom themselves as mature men of tomorrow.

Jubilee Prayer

The Jubilee Prayer was composed by an eminent old boy of our hallowed Alma Mater, the Archbishop Emeritus His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Oswald Gomes, at the request of the present rector of St. Joseph's College Rev. Fr. Ranjith Andradi.

Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for having graciously initiated our school one hundred and twenty-five years ago, and for having blessed it abundantly ever since. We have had challenging times, but Thou hast been with us in Thy kind Providence, bestowing upon us the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

As we thank Thee, we ask Thee to reward all those whom Thou hast made Thine instruments in this divine project. Bless and reward the Founder, the Rectors, the priests and the teachers who served here with great dedication. Bless all the old boys, who benefitted from the services rendered here. Bless all the students and teachers who are here today, under Thy loving care. As Thou hast blessed us with knowledge and virtue, grant us the dedication and commitment to duty, to make our work always pleasing to Thee.

Help us to gather peace and power under the banner of our Patron - St. Joseph and to shine as true Josephians in the mystic colours of our Blessed Mother.

We ask this through Our Lord Jesus Christ Thy son who lives and reigns with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen.

Non nobis Domine, non nobis, sed Nomini Tuo da Gloriam!!!

Jubilee Theme Song

The irresistible call, "go forth in Christ's Holy Name" is relevant today, more than at any other stage of our nation's history. The word 'holy' which is repeated in the

chorus of the song, tells us that this term is not a sterile and outdated concept but an essential life style that enriches the Christian missionary call. Truly, faith in its noblest form must necessarily be witnessed to in our daily lives - as instilled within the walls of St. Joseph's College, Colombo. Thus the Jubilee theme will re-emphasise the core of our Christian education.

So, let the Josephian family young and old march forward to the strains of our song, proclaiming Christ's mission on earth - well exemplified by our own inspiring lives.

**Josephians young, Josephians old
Hail and sing with voices bold
Let the wondrous story now unfold
Of our Alma Mater, writ in gold**

**Chorus:
Go forth in Christ's holy name!
Proclaim what we learnt now and then
- that Christ is our Lord, Savior and King!**

**Let mountains resound,
His glories ever ring!**

**Lady dressed in white and blue
Mary in your name our
flags fly and float
St. Joseph, worker,
our patron ever so dear
Oh Saint, to you our hearts
will always be near**

**Bonjean, prelate of Mary Immaculate
Your daring dream gave us
this school of fame
Five, twenty, a hundred years have
gone by
Your name in our hearts will never die**

**Priests, teachers, staff,
workers so many
By daily toil you made us bright,
strong and wise
Guiding faltering steps,
moulding fragile lives
From age to age like stars
above you shall shine**

**Fruits of virtue and knowledge
we do always taste
To grow in mind, heart,
spirit and grace
The song of our Alma Mater
will sound far and near
Till the mountains slowly
fade and gently disappear**

**Composed by: Francis D'Almeida
Set to music by: Melvyn Francis**

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The Sinhala version of the 125th Jubilee song is a result of a meditation done upon the College Anthem, the motto and its service to the younger generations of this country.

His Grace the Archbishop Christopher E. Bonjean, being the founder of this revered institution, Rev. Fr. Maurice J. Le Goc single-handedly gifted the monumental College chapel. The song depicts that College has been breathing unendingly through the powerful mediation of St. Joseph - the Patron Saint.

While the mystic colours of blue and white symbolize respectively humanity and divinity,

College continues to be at the service of thousands of young boys of this nation making its motto "In Scientia et Virtute", day by day, a solid reality.

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After presenting the Jubilee year plan, the Jubilee Prayer was recited for the first time by Rev. Fr. Rector and the assembly

was blessed from the statue of St. Joseph. Thus, it marked the beginning of yet another new chapter at St. Joseph's, ushering us all to the threshold of celebrating the excellence in Catholic Education for 125 years.

What have we been reaping during the jubilee period?

As we were struck by the unexpected global Covid 19 pandemic and owing to the sudden school closure, some of the above proposals were not achievable. Yet, most of the spiritual nourishment and life educational sessions were conducted online.

Spiritual nourishment sessions conducted online

Online recitation of the Holy Rosary

Ever since the College was closed for the Covid 19 pandemic, members of the Legion of Mary took the initiative to conduct the recitation of the Holy Rosary online. It was found to be very practicable to bring together the Josephian family daily during the month of May at 7.30 p.m. via Zoom technology. Students were invited to make Marian altars at their homes to which they had responded very effectively. Marian feast of the Visitation was conducted online by celebrating a live streamed Holy Mass, Rev. Fr. Rector being the chief celebrant. There had been about 900 odd participants at the live-streamed Holy Mass. Even though the month of May ended students continued to recite the Holy Rosary online uninterrupted until such time school reopened.

Corpus Christi

Soon after the Marian feast, a special three-day preparation was coordinated to celebrate feast of the **Corpus Christi**. Reflections were done by college priests on the importance and relevance of the Holy Eucharist in the life of a student.

Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

On the occasion of the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, again three-day pre-

Life Education Sessions on Education, Relationships, Love and Human Sexuality

A special series of sessions was organized with the initiative and of Rev. Fr. Sudham. Vice Rector of our College, to discuss certain debated themes, such as, "biological aspects of sexual life, "contraceptives, abortion, psychosocial and spiritual aspects of sexual life". Certain experts in the respective fields were invited as guest speakers. These programmes were conducted weekly from August to September 2021. A forum of this nature was indeed an eye-opener to many of our students to be aware of themselves going into the world as young Catholic men.

paratory sessions were organised leading to the celebration of the Sacred Heart feast when all the families of students were reconsecrated to the Sacred Heart.

A seminar on real parenting

Because of the pandemic, the students were compelled to stay at home without physical schooling. Teaching took place online. Overstaying at home caused boredom and in certain cases even minor psychological imbalances. In such a scenario, parents were finding it difficult to handle such situations. To address these issues an online programme was conducted by Dr. Miyuru Chandradasa, consultant child and adolescent psychiatrist, Ragama Teaching Hospital. The programme was positively commented on by many parents.

Faith and Science sessions

To profit from the time spent at home during the national lockdown another important initiative was taken to reach out to the students to help them to establish the harmony between faith and science. This programme was conducted with the help Rev. Fr. Nilantha Ediriwickrama, a distinguished alumnus of the College. Understanding faith in the context of post-modern society, dialoguing with the scientific world in the light of faith were the aims of this programme. Faith stands in total agreement with science was the discovery made. The programme was mostly attended by Advanced Level students, while it was kept open even to outsiders.

Seminars on Catholic Apologetics

One of the areas Fr. Rector always insists on is the faith education imparted to the students. He identifies it as a primary exigency of a Catholic school. Boys need to be well informed of the Catholic doctrine. They must be able to explain the articles of faith and defend Church teachings in the face of so many misinterpreted ideas regarding human values and principles proposed by the post-modernist context in which we live.

With the idea of equipping the student body, especially the prefects, Catholic Apologetic sessions were organized. Mr. Prabhath De Silva being the Guest Speaker, Mr. Micheal O'Fearghail and Prof. Anton Meemana joined as panellists. The seminars took place from November 2021 to February 2022. A special thanks to Mr. Prabhath De Silva for instilling in our boys a taste for Catholic Apologetics.

Catholic Apologetics

The Extra Mile

One of the projects organised during the jubilee period was a series of online motivational programme titled "The Extra Mile" held via Zoom in the months of June and July by prefects' body for the years 2020/21.

"The Extra Mile" was a project organised to keep the Josephian Spirit active amongst the students while they were at their homes and physically away from the College. It featured a number of inspiring Old Josephians who had excelled in their academics, extra-curricular activities and as student leaders during their school days; in a series of weekly interviews where they would share their experiences of growing up at St. Joseph's College while also offering advice to the present Josephians on how to "go the extra mile" in their school careers and also adapt to the challenges brought about by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The programme featured the inspiring personalities of Dylan Fernandopulle, Vindula Perera, Praneeth Udumalagala, Minura Manchanyayake, Raven Antonio and Dulinda Perera speaking on specialized and varied topics which covered multiple aspects of a Josephian's journey in school.

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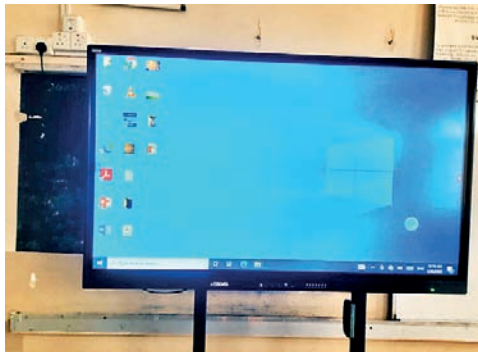
Whilst being interviewed by our very own Prefects, they were able to share their experiences with the student body as the programme was hosted online on Zoom and subsequently uploaded to the College YouTube channel for wider viewing.

125th Year Anniversary Eucharistic Mass March 2, 2021

The exact day of the 125th year anniversary was marked with celebrating of the Holy Eucharist. The opening flag march set the atmosphere. Rev. Fr. Rector, Ranjith Andradi, officiated at the Mass while live social media coverage, was broadcast around the globe from within the hallowed confines of the College chapel. A revelation made during the sermon, was that the first Josephian was none other than the carpenter's son, our Lord Jesus Christ himself, who was brought up and cared for by his foster father Joseph.

During the offertory a symbolic statue of the "Sleeping St. Joseph" was presented to Father Rector by the batch of 1998. Unfortunately, due to the restricted number of participants for gatherings during the Covid-19 pandemic, the chapel could only accommodate the stipulated number of participants and was not at its full capacity. The reverend priests, teachers, distinguished old boys, special invitees, prefects, students, all those assembled and the choir in attendance made this event the success it was.

Digital transformation at the College



Introducing smart classrooms to day-to-day academic life of the students is another massive jubilee project Rev. Fr. Rector envisaged. To achieve this strenuous task various personalities have tirelessly strived.

The committee for installing smart boards was headed by Mr. Rajive Silva and his team.

With God's blessings, despite the Covid 19 breakout, the Digital Committee with Fr. Rector's guidance and support we managed to complete the A/L streams in 2021. Thereafter, Fr. Rector along with the chairman of the Digital Committee Mr. Rajive Silva approached different alumni batches (in Sri Lanka and overseas) for donating money to continue fitting out Grades 4 and 5, which was also completed in 2021 and at the time this Jubilee magazine is being printed Grade 6 is being completed.

St. Joseph's College is one among a few schools to have as many classrooms as possible equipped with smartboards and once all grades are complete, SJC will be the first boys' school to be 100% on smartboard technology. In keeping with the College Motto "In Scientia Et Virtute", the committee moves forward with the fruits of virtue it has received to meet the vision of Rev. Fr. Rector for our Alma Mater.



Physical Renewal, Restoration, and Rejuvenation

The College chapel restored to her former glory

A timely need of St. Joseph's College indeed!

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The renovation of the iconic Clock Tower building



Yet another breath-taking jubilee project launched in view of the 125th Jubilee of St. Joseph's College was the complete refurbishment of the iconic Clock Tower Building; the 'mother house' of St. Josephs College. While the hefty renovations were being carried on, it was revealed that the old trees of the quadrangle had extended their roots into the foundations of the building, thus creating deep cracks that could potentially harm the structure of the building and more importantly the students. Thus, immediate action was taken and the threat was nipped in the bud. Cracked walls and floors on both floors were also restored along with some damaged carvings. Once the building was re-painted, at the end the Clock Tower building was the text book definition of a mega time capsule. A grandiose building invoking the awe and glories of the Victorian era placed in the 21st century.

After very long time, the clock of the Clock Tower building was finally repaired and everyone who heard the legendary bells of the clock go 'ding-dong' in perfect harmony together heaved sighs of pure joy. A special thanks to

The College chapel or when put in the Josephian context, the "Power Hose of College", witnessed a major renovation, the biggest of its kind in recent times and was restored to her former glory. This massive jubilee project was no easy one and the fact that the 'chapel project' took the longest time of all initiated jubilee projects is silent proof that dealing with Fr. LeGoc's creation is no easy task but rather the opposite. From the rusted gutters of the roof to the seeping roof tiles and from the cracked water-seeping, green moss-covered walls to falling off paint, every tiny detail was looked into and brought to completion. It was not only challenging the craftsmen who worked up and down the chapel but even the students, priests and teachers who had to bear up during that time and walk an extra mile to the Rev. Fr. Noel Perera Auditorium which was transformed into the chapel until the renovations were completed. But at the end of the magnificent renovations there was no one who walked into the chapel and regretted it, for the chapel was certainly now a house fit for God!

A new makeover, a fresh start

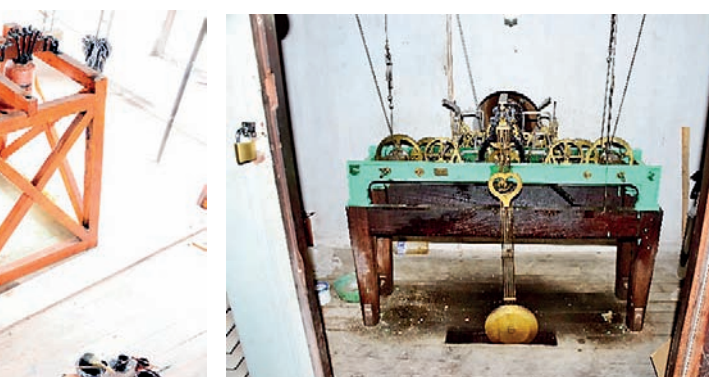


A modern library, a pressing need

the technician Mr. Hemachandra and Mr. Prithi Raj who was behind the whole project.

"A library is not a luxury but one of the necessities of life" - Henry Ward

A timely need indeed! The renovation and modernisation of the College library was yet another ultra-successful jubilee projects that would benefit many generations to come. Instead of the old library that stood, a new modernised library was constructed. This extraordinary project is a brainchild of Fr. Rector a well-read educationalist and a proponent of the notion that 'reading makes a man perfect'. In addition to the array of



new books, a second floor was added to the library to facilitate ample reading space. Several computers were also installed for students and

teachers who wished to do research. Entire project was funded by Mr. Ranjith Page a distinguished past student of the College.



According to Jewish tradition, a jubilee is a year of emancipation and restoration. In that sense, the shepherds of St. Joseph's College didn't simply limit the jubilee to a one-day festivity but a period of renewal, spiritual and material. It is in that sense that every building in school was renovated, re-painted and many buildings were repaired in view of the 125th Jubilee celebrations. The cracked concrete floors were repaired. Falling walls were strengthened and rusty pathways were given a new outlook.

A COMPLETE RENOVATION OF THE REV. FR. STANLEY ABEYSEKERA AUDITORIUM CUM SPORTS COMPLEX

If any Josephian who walked upon the Josephian boulevard during the past 3 decades then certainly he would hold the Rev. Fr. Stanley Abeysekera Sports Complex Cum auditorium or the Sports Complex as the go-to place if a

function or event that required the whole school to be in attendance was ever mentioned be it from a Concert to the College Day Festive High Mass. And it was a timely move to fully refurbish, re-paint and re-organize

the Sports complex which certainly stood the test against time so that she may serve countless more Josephian generations and countless Non Josephians who cherish the facilities of the sports complex. We are ever indebted to Very Rev. Fr. Stanely

Abeysekera for his farsighted vision in constructing this colossal complex and to Rev. Fr. Ranjith Andradi for taking prompt initiative in renovating it with the generous financial support from Sir Chittampalam A. Gardiner Trust Fund.



For the Josephian community, this was a change, but the change was a good one
Documentation of the History of St. Joseph's College



In anticipation of the quasiquicentennial anniversary, the College administration decided in 2020 to compile a book on the history and heritage of the College. For such purpose, the College administration invited Mr. Neil Wijeratne, Attorney-at-Law, who is an old boy of the school to embark on this historic venture.

Neil is an award-winning bi-lingual writer and columnist who had his first two novels published while a schoolboy at SJC. Recently, he authored "Journey of a Hundred Years" for Havelock Sports Club, when the club celebrated its centenary.

A distinguished panel of members was also appointed by the College to review the proposed documentation. The panel comprised Rev. Fr. Rector, Rev. Fr. Vice-Rector, Rev. Fr. Samith Neththasinghe, Former Chief Justice Mr. Priyasath Dep, Messrs. Saliya Peiris P.C., Lynn Ockersz - old boy journalist and editor, Dr. Mario Gomez, Hector S.P. Perera, Attorney-at-Law, Priyanga Perera - Vice President OBU and Mrs. Vijayanthi Anthick, staff member and Prof. (Mrs.) Marie Perera.

On the Feast Day of Our Lady - 08th September, a simple ceremony was held at the College auditorium to hand over the official invitation to the author and the members of the reviewing panel. The ceremony was followed by a press briefing.

Youth Formation Centre at Madampalle



Another magnanimous task taken up by Rev. Fr. Rector was to establish a centre for the students of the College, where they could have retreats, life education sessions, leadership programme and motivation camps. This dream becomes a reality after tireless efforts of Fr. Rector to find a conducive property in the first place.

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After so many trips in search of such a land Divine Providence guided him towards Madampalla, a simple locality with a serene and calm surrounding on the way to Giriulla was discovered. A most fitting ground for the youth centre. This property had been used initially as an orphanage which was called then Anna - Wilhelmina Home for Children. The land has seven acres with a fully equipped building to accommodate about 100 students. The garden is cultivated with coconut, fruit and other trees.

This sublime place with spiritual and life education programme that are to be conducted in future, will certainly quench the inner thirst of many Josephians, moulding them to be men of virtue and knowledge. Our heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Fr. Rector, being the live wire behind this mammoth project, the community of priests, whose constant prayers never ran out, Mr. Prithiraj De Silva and the Welfare Association of the College were indeed instrumental the realisation of this project.



Jubilee monument

At the invitation of Rev. Fr. Rector in March 2022, the batch of 2003 initiated a project to construct the jubilee monument

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Founders' Day celebration

2nd of March 2022 marked the first Founders' Day celebration. Once again it is the brainchild of Rev. Fr. Rector. Nowhere in the history of the College did we find such an event where founding fathers have been felicitated in an official ceremony. Archbishop Christopher E. Bonjean, Archbishop Melizan and Rev. Fr. Charles Collin were recognised as the three main architects of this hallowed institution. The idea behind this sort of event was to bring the history of the College closer to the hearts and minds of present and past Josephians. Hence, the ardent love and interest of Fr. Rector for the history and the unblemished heritage of St. Joseph's inspired this event in line with the rest of the jubilee projects.

The day was organised in two segments, morning and evening. Morning segment included paying respect to the gravestones of Archbishop Christopher Bonjean at the shrine of St. Anthony's - Kochchikade, Archbishop André Melizan at St. Lucia's Cathedral - Kotahena and Rev. Fr. Charles Collin at the General



Cemetery - Borella. A prayer service was conducted at each place while wreaths of flowers were placed in front of their gravestones by Rev.

Fr. Rector and others. It was indeed a historical moment to visit the graveyards of the founding fathers of our Alma Mater. Rev. Fathers, deputy

principals, sectional heads and prefects were present at this gracious occasion.

The evening segment was embellished with the offering of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass in memory of the founding fathers by His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Anton P. Ranjith who was once the vice rector of our Collage. The Holy Mass was followed by a narration of the history of ceremonial openings of the College compiled by Mr. Neil Wijeratne, a well-known alumnus. The segment was brought to a climax by lighting lamps before the portraits of founding fathers. Thus, it entered into the annals of the College as the first Founders' Day celebration in 2022.



portraying the three most significant persons in the history of our Alma Mater; Archbishop Bonjean, Fr. Charles Collin and Fr. Maurice LeGoc, without whose dedication and passion this hallowed educational institute would not have come to fruition. The monument is to be erected alongside the Primary block which will be visible to anybody entering from the main gate of the College.

The statues are sculpted by Mr. Baratha Kumara Liyanage, a world-class sculptor who lives in Piliyandala with years of experience having sculpted similar statues in the country.

With a total budgeted cost of Rs. 1.5 mil-

lion, this iconic project is exclusively funded by the generous contributions made by the 2003 batch. This jubilee monument will be unveiled by the His Eminence Malcolm Cardinal Ranjith on the 15th of June 2022.

First Day Commemorative Stamp cover

The Clock Tower building is spotted at the centre in this Commemorative Stamp and the Commemorative Special Cover to mark the quasiquicentennial jubilee of the College.

The commemorative stamp artwork contains the front view of the Clock Tower building, a photograph taken on the 13th of January, showing 2 white doves descending



from the open sky, through the clouds symbolizing the blessings of the Holy Spirit that were showered upon the College for



125 years. The official jubilee logo is placed on the top right-hand side of the stamp.

The Commemorative Special Cover portrays the front of the Clock Tower building, taken from the south wing facing the clock, to the right of the special cover. It also consists of the official jubilee logo and the College crest. The two blue vertical lines on the left edge depicts our mystic colours. (White and Blue)

Under the patronage of St. Joseph, our patron saint, and guided by Rev. Fr. Ranjith Andradi, the rector and Rev. Fr. Sudham Perera, the Vice Rector, and with the able assistance of the Philatelic Bureau of Sri Lanka, we were able to successfully release this commemorative stamp and the Commemorative Special Cover on the occasion of the 125th jubilee.

We did it!
"what's your view of the Jubilee?"
the Queen asked
"You must do it!" Margret
acclaimed (The Crown - Directed by
Philippa Lowthrope)

Indeed, we did it! And we did it well! And thus, successfully concluded the 125th Jubilee of St. Joseph's College with God's grace and the help of many of our wonderful family. A special note of thanks to Rev. Fr. Rector - Fr. Ranjith Andradi for his magnanimous heart and generous availability in guiding this massive task of celebrating the quasiquicentennial jubilee in spite of hardships and challenges we came across on our way. May teachers who toiled, students who worked hard, along with the tutorial staff be rewarded by our heavenly Father for the silent yet commendable service rendered.

Hence, for College and her children, united and free, let the bells ring from every steeple, ringing out the jubilee. The 125th jubilee of St. Joseph's would certainly be engraved in gold upon the rocks of Josephian history and the effects of the great spiritual, educational and physical jubilee schemes will most certainly bear fruit in the near future as our young boys change the world of tomorrow.

Hospitality and tourism management is an industry with lot of practical work and lot of learning about people, cultures and tourism industries. The industry has been the fastest growing industry in the world for over six years until 2019. Though the industry was affected badly during the COVID pandemic it has bounced back since late 2021.

What is Hospitality Management?

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Hospitality management refers to applying management practices and concepts in the sphere of lodging, food and other hospitality-related business. Since this is a service-based industry, you should be friendly, approachable, helpful, welcoming and polite in order to retain existing customers and attract new ones. If you have the ability to interact with people from around the world, this is a career option you should consider. Take a look at some of the skills you will need to develop for working in hospitality.

Commitment - One of your primary responsibilities in the hospitality industry is commitment towards ensuring customer satisfaction. This involves you being prepared to do whatever it takes to please your customers. Doing that little bit extra for your customers helps in retaining them and in attracting new customers.

Interpersonal Skills - In order to succeed in this industry, you must possess great interpersonal skills as you have to interact with clients on a daily

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Rapidly growing industry with few skilled staff and global career opportunities

basis. Having great interpersonal skills involves communicating effectively in both written and oral form, resulting in positive connections with whoever you meet.

Problem solving abilities - being able to solve problems as soon as they occur is considered to be a big skill in any industry, let alone hospitality. You can hone this skill by developing innovative and practical solutions that will help you in identifying and solving any problems that might occur.

Teamwork - In an industry like hospitality, teamwork is extremely important. In order to be productive and achieve customer satisfaction, you need to be able to work in a team; this may involve taking instructions from other team members to fulfilling your role in order to achieve customer satisfaction.

Organisational Skills - working in hospitality management involves juggling a variety of tasks that have equal importance. You would only be able to complete said tasks if you possess excellent organisational skills. On any given day, you may be required to pacify an angry guest, put out a kitchen fire, take care of important guests and so on.

Why should you study hospitality management?

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growth. Since this industry is extremely diverse and extensive, your job search will not be limited. Whether you want to manage a hotel, set up a fancy resort, run an exotic getaway or manage a casino; the choice is yours!

Explore the world - working in this industry provides you with multiple opportunities to see new places across the world. It could be working in a boutique hotel in Paris, managing a shack in Seychelles or even running a hotel in Morocco.

Be a part of a fast growing industry - currently, the hospitality industry is one of the fastest-growing industries in the whole world. It is expected that around 80 million new jobs will be created over the course of 10 years, thus showing that this industry is not only growing, but secure as well.

Multiple rewards on offer - If you join the industry after completing a programme in hospitality management, you will tend to be paid well. It is not only the high salary but working at top hotels will also provide you additional perks in the form of employee discounts and paid vacations.

Why study Hospitality Management in Australia

Hospitality and tourism management is a fast growing industry in Australia with many job opportunities. The amount of jobs hospitality is creating on a global scale places it in the upper echelon of

growing industries. The hospitality sector encompasses a wide range of skills, ranging from accommodation to wine tourism, meaning there are a multitude of different jobs opening up in varying types of workplaces. The Australian Industry and Skills Committee predicted in September this year that an additional 91,000 jobs would be created by the hospitality sector in the next five years, growing the employment rate of this industry by 12.1 per cent. This is not relevant to just Australia either - the booming nature of tourism in all continents means the need for more hotels, restaurants and licensed venues are always rising

Hospitality Skills are useful in anywhere in the world

Serving people in restaurants, hotels or accommodation is a global skill that surpasses language. That is why plenty of international students flock to Australia to learn these fundamentals before jetting off to work in other exciting places.

Australia has a stellar food and wine reputation

Think Melbourne's coffee culture, Sydney's restaurants and the many cities with a thriving nightlife - not to mention the vast world-class wine regions and the booming craft brewery industry. What better place to learn the ropes!

Studying in Australia is practical and easy.

Many courses provide on-site facilities to hone your skills, creating an easy environment to learn and thrive in the industry. Studying in Australia can offer a hands-on and practical learning environment, with many TAFEs and Registered Training Organisations having their own onsite restaurant for you to learn in a real-life setting. Being able to meet new people and enjoy your time with other customers while making money is always a positive for working in the food and beverage industry. Learning in Australia a perfect place to develop skills and practice them in an extremely rewarding and fun-loving environment for the hospitality industry.

If you are looking for a rewarding career in the Hospitality and Tourism industry you have a great opportunity to start your Hospitality Management degree in Sri Lanka and complete in Australia through the only Australian owned Hospitality School in Sri Lanka. Please call Australasian Academy today to find out the best option for your future higher education and career 0761 390 245