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**‘What does it matter
what becomes of
me, so long as I do
what my Master
sent me here for?’**

M.W

(Spa, 1638.)



LORETO CONVENT LOLAY

We, the students and staff of Loreto Convent, Lolay participated in the Independence Day celebration in our locality with other 11 schools. We took part in the march-past and in the drill display. We got a trophy for participating in the march - past and won the 1st place for the drill. It was a wonderful day.



Sr. Subhashini Lakra

writes - I had the opportunity to enlighten my mind on many social issues in Himachal Pradesh, Kangra District. From 7th to 20th July, issues that dealt with Human rights (R.T.I), gender equality, domestic violence, health, sex and one billion rising were spoken about by well qualified resource people. The input given to us through power points helped us to know the various policies which the government has made for the welfare of the people. We are grateful for this opportunity, because it was not only informative but also a source of empowerment of oneself. This course has introduced me to various N.G.Os and the ways to net work and mobilize our cause.

**LAUGHTER IS A
UNIVERSAL AND
SPIRITUAL
CONNECTION!!!!!!**

JOKES

The 99 year old Mother Superior was dying. The nuns gathered around her bed trying to make her last journey comfortable. They gave her some warm milk to drink but she refused. Then one of the nuns took the glass back to the kitchen. Remembering a bottle of Irish whiskey received as a gift the previous Christmas, she opened and poured a generous amount into the warm milk. Back at Mother Superior's bed, she held the glass to her lips. Mother drank a little, then a little more and before they knew it, she had drunk the whole glass down to the last drop. "Mother," the nuns asked with earnest, "please give us some wisdom before you die." She raised herself up in bed and with a pious look on her face said, "Don't sell that cow."

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Sometimes women are overly suspicious of their husbands. When Adam stayed out very late for a few nights, Eve became upset. "You're running around with other women," she charged. "You're being unreasonable," Adam responded. "You're the only woman on earth." The quarrel continued until Adam fell asleep, only to be awakened by someone poking him in the chest.

It was Eve. "What do you think you're doing?" Adam demanded. "Counting your ribs," said Eve.

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LORETO CONVENT, RANCHI

The highlight of the Term was the JPIC programme on "Cyber Security and the Safety of Women" by a Panel of Speakers mainly comprising the top brass of the Police Dept. There were two men and three ladies on the Panel. They spoke on the pros and cons of social media and cyber crimes against women. They warned the students of the dangers of the time and how to protect themselves in public places, when alone at home and in lifts. An IT specialist informed the girls on how to safeguard the "net" He suggested their password should be changed every three months. Incidentally he also added that he can hack the internet of any one!!

Beware!

Meetings with Parents of Class 5 were held on three days, sectionwise. The Meetings were with a difference mainly on Parent-Child relationships. All were divided into groups of eight and were given a questionnaire designed by Sr. Carmella for discussion. One of our Counsellors monitored the sessions.

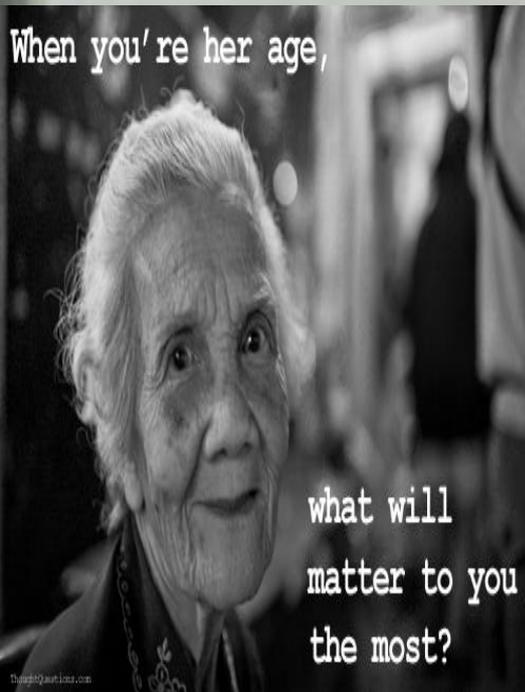
Sr. Cyril Mooney conducted a two-days Retreat for Class X Catholic students. Incidentally there are 74 Catholics in that Class.

Question: Do we need another Convent in Jharkhand or do we need more Sisters in the existing School to help with the Catholic Student population, in Loreto Doranda?

Srs. Amia and Soria our two Vocation promoters met our Students on the "Call to Religious life"



QUESTIONS WHICH MAY CHANGE OUR LIVES.....



BANGLADESH

Sr. Anita Braganza (Provincial), Punitha, Prabina and Sr. Monica Rozario arrived in Bangladesh (Padrishibpur) on 3rd June 2014. It was good to have Sr. Anita Braganza with us for some days. Sr. Monica Rozario was installed on 6th June as Community Leader. There was a beautiful prayer service prepared by Prabina, Punitha and Rina. Sr. Anita managed to visit Dhaka and Barisal and met Rev. Bishop Patrick and Rev. Bishop Moses personally. Since we Loreto's have no other place in Dhaka, we spent a few days with the RNDM Sisters.



Seven New Pre-Candidates arrived on 2nd June and there was a short ceremony to receive them. They have been admitted in the nearby Women's College. The 4 second year Pre-Candidates completed their Class XI from the same College. These eleven Pre-Candidates come from various parts of Bangladesh such as Bandarban, Mymensing, and Rajshahi.



Bangladesh has Six Dioceses altogether. We belong to Chittagong Diocese and work under Rev. Bishop Moses and Rev. Bishop Subroto.

Sr. Monica took over the School (of 1600 Students) from Sr. Archana on 21st June when Archana said good bye to the school on 16th June, 2014. Archana presently has gone to the Phillipines for a 5 month course on formation. Punitha is the new Pre-Candidate mistress who also takes a few classes in the School. Rina is a full time teacher in the school. We involve ourselves in various Commissions like Education (Monica) Youth (Punitha) and Shisu Mongol (Children) (Rina). Besides this we visit the families of the village and take part in the Liturgy preparation. We receive support from the priests, brothers and sisters when we need.

DID YOU KNOW? ??

✚ About 50 Bibles are sold every minute. It is the world's best-selling book. Approximately 1 billion copies of Bibles have been sold.

✚ The longest verse in the Bible is Esther 8:9 – 89 words, 425 letters.

✚ The shortest verse in the NIV Bible is John 11:35: "Jesus wept."

✚ The last word in the Bible is **AMEN**.

✚ The covering for the tabernacle was made out of ram skins and sea cow hides: Exodus 36:19.

✚ The word "Christian" appears only three times in the Bible: Acts 11:26; 26:28; 1 Peter 4:16.

News about DMWSC

1. Legal Awareness Programmes were conducted in collaboration with the District Legal Service Authority Darjeeling (DLSA) and Darjeeling Mary Ward Social Centre (DMWSC) in Rangaroon Tea Plantation, Sukna Tea Estate and Lohasing Tea Estate where the District Judge of Darjeeling Mr. Uday Kumar , Mr. Surotheshwar Mondol (The Secretary of the DLSA. Darjeeling) , Mr. Mrinal Gosh (Child protection officer) were the resource persons on the 15th July, 18th July and 19th July 2014 respectively.

The aim of the program was to bring legal awareness in the community where people are far from the reach of the court and lawyers. Individual women and children especially are unable to lodge a complaint against any atrocities faced by them. The points covered were on the legal rights of women and children related to child labour, child marriage, Right to Education and schemes available for natural disasters by the government.

The emphasis was given to open a legal clinic in all the remote tea plantations and to recruit Para Legal Volunteers (PLV) in the tea plantations by the DLSA so that they would be trained in the field of law and to deal with cases immediately or bring to the notice of the law so that justice could prevail.

Visit of Sr. Anne Kelly in the field:-

Home visit of Sr. Anne Kelly with the DMWSC staff to the 4 trafficked victims who were recently back home in the tea plantation of Dagapur and Sukna .



Why the month
September is so
special ?
Because
following people
were born in
September...

Sr. Leena Lakra	2nd Sept
Sr. Amia Tete	8th Sept
Sr. Shanta Xalxo	10th Sept
Sr. Barbara Rudum	13th Sept
Sr. Mary DeSouza	15th Sept
Sr. Beatrice Stuart	18th Sept
Sr. Anita Lakra	21st Sept
Sr. Prabina Anastasia	22nd Sept
Sr. Tina Farias	23rd Sept
Sr. Ponnamma	25th Sept
Sr. Anita Cardozo	26th Sept
Sr. Tressia Aricatt	27th Sept
Sr. Anupa Toppo	30th Sept

..... And this
month we also
celebrate our
great four
women's Feast
Days....

8th Sept	Sr. Ponnamma N
14th Sept	Sr. Lynette Palmer
24th Sept	Sr. Maeve Hughes
24th Sept	Sr. Mercia D'Souza

.....can there be
any greater
reason to
consider
September as a
special month
for us?

Celebration of the International Youth Day in Nischintapur on 12th August with Sr. Anne Kelly where the youth took an opportunity to participate in the programme by doing street plays on human trafficking, and Alcoholism. It was the Nischintapur primary school (a government School) who had collaborated with DMWSC to organize the programme.



International Youth Day in Nischintapur Tea Estate

Two Days Training on 2nd -3rd of August was conducted on Bal Panchayat under Collective Voice project. Forty children from 4 tea plantations participated in the programme, of the age group from 9 to 14 years. The aim of the training was to understand their rights and sensitize the other children in their own village and fight against child labour, child trafficking and child abuse. The group was formed of 10 children from each village who would act as a watch group in the community.

LORETO CONVENT ASANSOL

Loreto Asansol started off in June with an introduction to the new principal, Mrs J. George and the four new community members. All were felicitated at a special assembly.

Srs Gloria and Anita are busily occupied with their classes in the school and the children are so delighted to have Sisters teaching them. Sr. Maloti has been appointed to work in the diocese and is very enthusiastic about her



work. She spends most of her time outstation with Fr Sarto and his team. Their present focus is on building up Small Christian Communities. Sr Christopher is trying to live up to her role as the resident senior citizen of the whole family. It was good to have the Provincial team with us in June to boost our newness.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT.....

OCTOBER BABIES.....

"Love to chat. Love those who love them. They have inner and physical beauty. Lie but don't pretend. Get angry often. Treat friends importantly. Always make friends.

Easily hurt and recover easily. Daydreamer, Do not care of what others think. Emotional, Decisive, Strong. Love traveling and also love art and literature. Touchy and easily jealous, Love outdoors. Just and fair."



Happy Birthday

Sr. Madhabi Brahma	1st Oct
Sr. Anima Kujur	1st Oct
Sr. Sudha M	1st Oct
Sr. Jeba T	3rd Oct
Sr. Moira Cunning	4th Oct
Sr. Bridget Nazareth	5th Oct
Sr. V. Punitha	6th Oct
Sr. Angela Rodrigues	8th Oct
Sr. Arockia Mary Dass	10th Oct
Sr. Cecily Wong	14th Oct
Sr. Soria Nongtdu	16th Oct
Sr. Subhashini Lakra	16th Oct
Sr. Lourdes Noronha	21st Oct
Sr. Christine Gurung	23rd Oct
Sr. Isilda Sangiang	26th Oct
Sr. Aruna Kujur	27th Oct
Sr. Sabrina Edward	27th Oct

We are happy to announce that four more of our Ankur Vidyalaya girls have successfully completed the NIOS Class 10 exam. The girls and teachers who helped them were so proud. At another special assembly the Alumnae gave them each a lovely watch and a dictionary. The girls



themselves spoke of their sense of achievement and encouraged the younger ones to strive for the same. They are determined to go on for higher studies and have joined Class 11 at St Vincents .

The various school activities have kept us busy these months. Our seniors launched out into a new drama experience - the street play and kept us spellbound and well entertained when they displayed the results of their efforts.

Now they look forward to displaying their talent at the forthcoming JPIC Annual meeting which is being held at the end of August in Asansol.

RAKSHA BANDHAN AND KARATE AWARDEES

(ELLIOT ROAD)

RakshaBandhan was celebrated on 10th August. The Cognizant team come every Sunday religiously to help our Rainbow Girls with their studies. This Sunday was a bit different from the others. After their study classes they tied rakhi on the wrists of the Cognizant team members and on each other as a mark of love and bonding among themselves. The Cognizant team treated them to chocolates. They had an enjoyable time together. The Rakhis were made by the Rainbow girls helped by the Loreto Day School Elliot Road Girls. God bless our Cognizant team members and Loreto Girls.

21 of Loreto Elliot Road Rainbow Home girls along with other Loreto Main Stream Students who were training in self defence Karate classes since last year, had their Junior Karate Skill Examinations on Monday, 11th August, 2014. All the girls were awarded different grade badges (Gold, Silver & Bronze) according to their self defence techniques and fighting skills. They all received yellow grade belts and certificates from their Training Karate Instructor.



1st Oct	Sr. Therese Curran
1st Oct	Sr. Tressia T. Aricatt
2nd Oct	Sr. Angela Rodrigues
20th Oct	Sr. Mary Irene Ribeiro
28th Oct	Sr. M. J. Jude Hales

ANOTHER YEAR

(We) I'm wishing you
another year
Of laughter, joy and fun,
Surprises, love and
happiness,
And when your birthday's
done,

(We) I hope you feel deep in
your heart,
As your birthdays come and
go,
How very much you mean to
(us) me,
More than you can know.

By Joanna Fuchs

Sr. Sushila Kerketta	4th Nov
Sr. Flora Anthony	5th Nov
Sr. Consuelo Murphy	7th Nov
Sr. Sushila Tirkey	12th Nov
Sr. Ranjeeta Kerketta	12th Nov
Sr. Rajni Tete	18th Nov
Sr. A. Nirmala	22nd Nov
Sr. Celine Pinto	23rd Nov
Sr. Christopher D'Souza	30th Nov



22nd Nov Sr. Cecily Wong

RAINBOW CO-ORDINATORS TRAINING

The home coordinator's found the Training in Yercaud fruitful and challenging. The training "welcomed" them to move out of their comfort zones, reflect on how they act in different situations as well as challenge them in the way they deal with crisis situations.

Srs. Baiada, Shakuntala, Swati, Mann and Mable attended the Programme.

LORETO HOUSE

It was a day of great rejoicing when the announcement was made on 22nd of August at the morning assembly that Loreto House has been ranked India's No. 2 Girls' Day School in the Education World India School rankings 2014. With grateful hearts we thank God for the sisters and teachers who have gone before us, who made this day possible. Congratulations to past sisters, teachers and students and our dear present teachers and students. God bless you all.

Sr. Phyllis

ONE CHILD, ONE LAMP (SOLAR LIGHT PROJECT)

On 14th August, 2014, as a plan of action following the Independence Day Assembly, the L.T.S. Unit of Loreto House launched the 'One Child, One Lamp' project in collaboration with the L.T.S. Centre.

The project serves a two pronged purpose:

- to provide light to children for studying at night in rural areas where electricity is still a distant dream
- to save the environment.

The response of the children in the school to the project is very heartwarming and a positive one. Through this project, the students of Loreto House hope to light up the lives of many other children in remote rural areas of India.

Loreto House Rainbow Home News

On the 12th of July 2014, seven girls from Loreto House Rainbow Home participated at the Karma Act a fest organized by La Martiniere for Girls. Five of them performed a dance

sequence along with the Loreto House school girls and two participated in a drawing competition. Both the groups did very well; the dancers came home with a first prize. We are so proud of them!

