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**HAPPY
EASTER
2019**



**Rest in Peace Rev.
Bro. Mathew Aayila
SDB**

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FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

The Solemnity of St. Joseph, the Patron of the community was celebrated in grand scale this year on Tuesday, 19th March 2019. The presence of Rev. Fr. Simon Asira, the Provincial of Eastern Africa and Rev. Fr. Eric Mairura, the Provincial Economer gave colour to the celebra-



tion.

On that day we also celebrated the birthday of Bro. Jose Kaippananickal, our Workshop Manager.

Both Fr. Provincial and Fr. Economer were at Oysterbay for their official annual visit.



JASANI AUDITORIUM

As mentioned in the previous issue *Don Bosco Oysterbay News*, the *Sterling Trust of Mzee Jasani* is sponsoring the construction of the new auditorium (covering the Basketball ground which we already had). The construction work on the auditorium officially began on

The celebration began with the Holy Eucharist at 9.00 am presided over by Rev. Fr. Provincial and concelebrated by Frs. Peter Mutechura and Babu Augustine. During the homily Fr. Provincial pointed out St. Joseph as a model for all of us to imitate, especially as a family man.

As we do not have an auditorium to accommodate everyone, the Holy Eucharist was celebrated under the trees adjacent to the football field.

At 11.00am we had the entertainment by the four Houses of the school. The Houses presented skits from the life of St. Joseph and from the life of Bro. Jose.

At 1 pm lunch was served for everyone. Finally the last part of the celebration was inter-house matches and matches between Teaching staff and

Non-Teaching staff. The overall winner was Wami House followed by Pangani House. The Teaching staff won the matches of football and volleyball while the Non-Teaching staff defeated the Teaching staff in basketball.

At the close of the day everyone was really happy though very tired due to the various activities.

Rev. Fr. Provincial distributed prizes to the winners and concluded the celebration with a prayer and blessing.



Bishop Salutaris of Ifakara

the work. We are expecting to use the auditorium by the end of May 2019.

A special word of thanks to Mr. Bharat Thaker, Mr. Shashi Shah, Ms. Gislea Hubling and Ms. Patrice Good the Trustees for their support. Long Live Mzee Jasani!

20th February 2019 when Bishop Salutaris of Ifakara blessed the site and the work. The construction company is Trustbuild Construction Company of Mr. Dominic a pastpupil of Don Bosco Mafinga. Mr. Beant Singh who has experience lasting four decades is supervising

THE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



Birthday of Bro. Jose



Birthday of Fr. Peter

In the last two months we celebrated the birthdays of Fr. Peter Mutechura (5th Feb) and of Bro. Jose (18th March). These celebrations were occasions for the community to show its appreciation to these two Salesians who are rendering selfless service in the community.

On 5th February we had the Holy Eucharist at 3 pm which was presided over by Rev. Fr. Peter Mutechura. After the Holy Eucharist we had a short

entertainment and speeches by representatives of various groups. Those who spoke on the occasion pointed out the simplicity and smile of Fr. Peter. He was thanked for the work done by the PDO team under his leadership.

Though the birthday of Bro. Jose was on 18th March, it was celebrated on 19th March together with the feast of St. Joseph as reported in the first page. All the teams presented

well prepared and short items. Several people spoke on the occasion too. Everyone had something to say about Bro. Jose. His spirit of hard work, joining in the activities especially in the various games of the picnics were pointed out as values worthy of imitation.

Bro. Jose too expressed his gratitude to his fellow Salesians, both teaching and support staff for the collaboration and to the students for their availability.



The visit of Mr. Steven Craen & Ms. Alexandra of Via DB & Ms. Nicola & Ms. Nelly of PDO DRC at Oysterbay

VIA DB PEER TRAINING

In the month of February we had the visitors from Belgium and Congo (DRC) for the peer training under *VIA DB, Belgium*. Ms. Imka Custers who is responsible for Congo came to facilitate this training. The Principals, Administrators and the Job Placement Officers from Dodoma and Oysterbay took part in this training besides the

PDO staff under Ms. Rosemary Terry and the PDO staff of Congo (Ms. Nelly Milemba and Ms. Nicole Mwema).

The training helped the new members in the various projects to understand more about results and activities of the Via Don Bosco and to prepare the operational plan.

In the month of January we had Organization Development (OD) seminar for managers of the technical schools sponsored by Via Don Bosco. It was also a very useful seminar. Don Bosco Iringa too took part in this training. Fr. Babu Augustine, Ms. Sia Richard, Mr. Issa Manyara and Mr. Prosper Lutonga took part from our VTC.

THE VISIT OF FR. AMERICO

Rev. Fr. Chaquise Americo SDB, the Regional Councilor for Africa visited us on 5th March 2019. He had the chance to visit our various workshops on 5th March. Fr. Americo also addressed the suddenly convoked school Assembly

On 6th March, he presided over the Holy Eucharist for the entire Don Bosco Oysterbay com-

munity as it was the Ash Wednesday. He also took part in the meeting organized for



our partners and stake holders in Renewable Energy sector. Several companies and organizations were represented. The meeting was held in "panel discussion method" to help everyone to understand better the various intricacies with regard to Renewable Energy. Bro. Jose represented the school together with our three Solar teachers.



FEAST OF DON BOSCO

As usual we kept the feast of St. John Bosco, the Father and Founder of the Salesians of Don Bosco with due solemnity. The celebration for the school was on Friday, 1st February 2019. From 8am to 11.00 am we had several competitions to know Don Bosco more. All the competitions were conducted as Inter-House completion and the overall winner was **Pangani House**.

At 11.30 am we had the Holy

Eucharist presided over by His Ex. Marek Solvnsky, the Apostolic Nuncio to Tanzania. It was followed by lunch sponsored by some of the family members of Fr. Babu in honour of their mother who was cele-



brating her 90th birthday on 31st January 2019.

From 2.30 pm to 5.00 pm we had various matches among the four Houses. The House of Wami was the winner of the matches. Finally the beautiful celebration ended with the prize distribution by Fr. Paul Felix SDB who had come from Morogoro. Though tired everyone was pleased with the celebration.



We were blessed to have with us Ms. **Elizabeth Richter** from Austria for about three weeks in the month of January. We were very much impressed by her presence in the Community.

WOMEN'S WEEK-2019

We kept the Women's week from 4th March to 8th March 2019. For the entire week we had girl students from the various secondary schools and the Standard Seven girls from the primary schools around visiting our college to encourage them to join technical training. Those girls who completed their train-

ing in the technical schools of Iringa, Dodoma and Oysterbay gave motivational talks to these girls. The girls got the opportunity to move around our workshops and see for themselves the girls who are undergoing training in the various technical trades. They were also given refreshments sponsored by

various companies through the office of PDO.

On Women's day (8th March) we had a whole day of programmes such as motivational talks, entertainment and lunch for about 800 people. Finally the celebration ended with Netball matches. Iringa was the overall winner of Netball.



The women's week from 4-8 March 2019: Ms Imka of Via DB with other visitors

DON BOSCO BAKERY & THE VISIT OF FR. STEFAN & MS. ADRIANA FROM SLOVAKIA

The *Via DB* sponsored Bakery is under construction from the beginning of January 2019. Now we have completed the construction work and waiting to be equipped. Our Carpentry and Welding students too gave helping hand in the construction. We are very grateful to *Via DB* for this generous contribution. It had been our cher-

ished dream coming true.

Fr. Stefan Kortancik, Ms. Adriana Mahdalova with the volun-



teers from Slovakia (for Dodoma) with Fr. Eric Mairura, the Provincial Economist visited us in January 2019.



The Administrators of Tanzania meeting at Don Bosco hall of Oysterbay during their meeting of 14th & 15th March 2019.

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The Visit of Rev. Fr. Provincial

Rev. Fr. Simon Asira SDB, the Provincial for Eastern Africa province (Tanzania, Kenya, Sudan and South Sudan) made his official visit to our Community from 18-22 March 2019. While he was here with us he was able to witness for himself the various activities carried out in our community. He had words of appreciation to all the Salesians, Staff and the students for the wonderful family spirit and for the various activities carried out in the College. Fr. Simon also blessed and inaugurated the liquid soap making machine manufactured by one of our students, Richard Majaliwa.



Rev. Sr. Christine (Vicar) & Sr. Catharine (Councilor for Education) of MSMHC from India paid a visit to Fr. Provincial on 22nd March 2019.



PICNIC OF THE WINNERS OF 2018

The winners of the House System of 2018 (Karume and Mandela) were taken to a picnic on 2nd March 2019 to Bahamoyo. Bro. Jose and Fr. Babu accompanied the teams together with Ms. Fausta, Mr. Lymo, Ms. Sia Richard, Mr. Boniface James, Ms. Aines John and Mr. Rona. We are grateful to MSFS community of Kibaha for providing us with two school buses. We had a wonderful time at Bahamoyo which was both educative and entertaining. The participants were very appreciative of the Salesians and the Benefactors.

There is no need to feel jealous Tom, if you behave well you too will get the sports wear like Jerry!



In the beach of Bahamoyo



At the Missionary Cross of Bahamoyo.

