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## Teachers' Day Celebrations

Teacher- pupil relation is very sacred in our culture. Honouring the teachers is one of the primary dispositions of every student. On the auspicious occasion of the teacher's day, on 5<sup>th</sup> September, the students of St. Ephrem's Theological College wished their teachers a happy teachers' day. Just before the lunch, ETC students + professors gathered in the refectory, and wished their love and affection to their professors by presenting to each of their teachers a bouquet. Bro. Chacko Kalappurackal felicitated our teachers.

## Birthday of Mother Mary



The Birthday of our Holy Mother was commemorated in the seminary on 8th September 2022. In preparation for the solemnity, during daily Ramsa from 1st September to 7th September, the third year brothers preached sermons on the life of Mother Mary. Rev. Fr. Devamitra Neelamkavil presided over the Festal Qurbana.



## Onam Celebrations

Onam (Kerala state festival), a festival of joy and prosperity from Kerala was celebrated in the house with its full happiness on 8<sup>th</sup> September. The brothers were engaged in different programmes to make it a colourful one. The first year theologians made a beautiful pukkalam (colour carpet). Second year theologians were engaged in making different dishes. All other members of the community helped them in preparations. Special Onam games were organized. At noon the delicious Onam Sadhya was served.



## Jubilarians' Day

St. Ephrem Theological College was extremely happy to receive their first fruits (three batches of 1995-96, 96-97, 97-98) as it celebrated the Jubilarians' day on 14<sup>th</sup> September. There were 9 priests from different eparchies. The joy began in the house from 13<sup>th</sup> evening as they arrived. At 6 pm there was solemn Ramsa followed by the felicitation ceremony. Bp. Mar Joseph Kodakkalil along with Bp. Mar Ephrem Nericulam congratulated the Jubilarians and wished them success+ God's blessings in their future ministry. After the delicious supper, there was a sharing session in which each of the priests shared their 25 years experiences in the seminary and in the pastoral field. On 14<sup>th</sup> morning the Jubilarians presided the Holy Qurbana. During the day they visited the Purwa waterfalls and in the afternoon they have gone back to their eparchies.



## Visit of Mar Ephrem Nericulam



St. Ephrem's Theological College welcomed Bp. Mar Ephrem Nericulam, the bishop of the eparchy of Chanda on 13<sup>th</sup> September. Bishopji reached ETC in the evening and was the chief guest for the Jubilarians' day which was organized in the evening. His Excellency came all the way to meet us, especially Dn. Tirkey Deepak who belongs to the eparchy of Chanda. We all were blessed to have a session with him on the relevance of seminary formation with due importance to the missionary activities and responsibilities in the current cultural and political scenario.

## Home Day

It was on 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022 that our joy reached to its higher tone as we celebrated the home day. We opened the day with the Festal Holy Qurbana, the feast of Apostle Mathew, presided over by Rev. Fr. Mathew Kazhuthadiyil, our Rector. In the evening the whole of Ephrem Pariwar gathered in the seminary for the home day celebrations. Bp. Mar Joseph Kodakkalil the chairman to the Synodal Commission to ETC addressed the gathering and reminded the importance of seminary in bringing up the missionary priests. Rev. Fr. George Kudilil (the chief editor of Deepika daily) in his message, stressed the value of missionary formation in Syro Malabar Church. Rev. Fr. Dean of studies announced the proficiency awards of the academic year of 2021-22 and his Excellency gave away the awards. The evening was very colorful with different cultural programmes. The day concluded with delicious supper.



## Comprehensive Examination

On 29<sup>th</sup> September ETC conducted Moral Theology+ Canon Law comprehensive examination for Rev. Deacons. It was an occasion to expose their academic excellence and their preparation for the administration of the Sacrament of Confession. Rev. Frs. Cyriac Puliypallil and Fr. Jerome were the evaluators.

## A Day Out for Deacons

Deacons were taken for one day picnic by Rev. Fr. Rector on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2022. They visited the Purwa and Kyoti waterfalls near to Rewa and enjoyed the day out.



**October-  
Month of the  
Holy Rosary**

**Holy Mary  
pray for Us**

