

SPIRITUAL ADVISOR'S NOTE

A Family is the Temple of God!

Today, a family is considered as the foundation of our society as it plays a vital role for its stability, development and growth. If a family is well-rooted in God's love and strives to promote true fellowship and solidarity, we can expect peace and harmony in our society. A Family reflects directly the life of the Triune God and, therefore, it is considered as the Temple of God.

We must realize that a Family, as a sacred unit, mirrors the life of the Most Holy Trinity wherein we find an intrinsic unity, eternal love, constant communication and undivided fellowship; unfortunately, we don't realize these facts at all!

For better family life, all the members must do their responsibilities with utmost care and devotion, not so much for their own well-being but also for the good of others in the family. What spoils our happiness in the family is our selfishness and personal interest. In order to create a good familial atmosphere, there ought to be true love, caring, acceptance, sincerity, honesty, openness, understanding, dependency, sharing and, above all, a deep-rooted spirituality. It is said that: *A Family that prays together stays together*.

As modern life can add pressure and stress, a healthy family dynamic can have multiple benefits, regardless of whether it's a biological family, adoptive family, or chosen family. It is advisable that the family members meet together periodically to review the happenings in the family, and take note of the facts that affect the fabric of their unity and fellowship.

Besides the above mentioned factors, the other factors that help build a healthy family life are responsibility, spirit of openness, appreciation and forgiveness.

Our Catholic Club is a Family Club that caters to all sections of the society, namely: children, youth, adults, women, senior citizens and others. Several programmes are conducted for all these groups to promote camaraderie among them. Every year, on 15th August, The Family Day is celebrated to bring the families together to facilitate bonhomie among the members and their families.

May I, on behalf of our beloved Archbishop Most Rev. Dr. Peter Machado, wish all of you A Happy Family Day, and invoke the blessings of God upon you and your family.





HAPPENINGS AT THE CLUB

FROM THE DESK OF THE VICE
- PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Members,

Greetings! I take this opportunity to say thank you for all your support and encouragement in our efforts to make our Club the most happening place for family and friends.

In the month of July the President allotted portfolios to all our MIC members and after their sub committees were formed, we had our first MIC meeting of the year. On this occasion all of them presented impressive well curated plans with the target "MORE FOR MEMBERS" and "BETTER FOR MEMBERS". You can look forward to many interesting activities throughout the year.

Some of these you have started experiencing in July itself, to name a few, additional live dosa counters at breakfast and weekends from F & B, the gym added Zumba classes and health talks with the ROMP. There will be monthly theme days on the entertainment calendar like "The Big Apple Brunch" with XaniCroy, Ikidz arts and craft show, iBrowse & Library with coffee book reviews, treasure hunt with the youth and a Greek theme elder's event with Zorba dancing. Our faith program had a professional group singing hymns, our spiritual advisor Monsignor S. Jayanathan, who shared with us how to use acronyms for PRAYER to earn showers of blessings in our daily lives.

Do watch out for all the eclectic programs from Cards, Swimming pool, Sportico, Youth, Ladies, indoor and outdoor games and Housie which is already showing outstanding participation. These we will let you discover for yourself in the coming months.

On Friday 25th August we will have the 14th edition of the Catholic Club charity golf tournament at the Clover Greens Golf Scapes. Our Past President, Mr. Austin Roach, has been kind enough to host this Tournament at his Golf Course. On behalf of CCOT and our Club, I offer my deepest gratitude for his kind gesture. This event is one of the main methods of collecting funds for the extensive programs, planned by the Catholic Club Orphans Trust for twelve homes and more than six hundred children. These funds are used for their initiatives in medical infrastructure, talent ease, career guidance, job placement and for Christmas Funday expenses. We are confident our Catholic Club members will donate generously; help

find sponsors and the golfers will compete for the prestigious Catholic Club rolling trophy.

Our F & B and bar team is working on a multi-tiered proposal to optimise the service coverage of the captains, waiters and delivery staff. This will be implemented post haste with table numbers assigned to waiters with contact numbers. Captains taking orders and waiters / servers focused on prompt delivery of hot food, we are confident that this will improve our service and facilities particularly on crowded event days and weekends.

Our HR team is working on a war footing to recruit new staff and fill all the staffing gaps. They have planned job skill upgrades and soft skill training at all levels.

We want all our members to participate in our quarterly rewards & recognition program for all our club staff, recognising stellar service and performance, thus creating role models for others to emulate. We believe that this will bring about substantial quality improvements in our daily operations.

FAMILY DAY is on 15th August. Do come in large numbers to make this event a truly special one. We the committee welcome each and every one of you our Catholic Club family to this event.

JUDE LOBO Vice-President



President's note

My Dear Fellow Members,

You might be surprised seeing my address in this newsletter on the third page. Along with the editorial team, I have decided that every month one of the Office Bearer's or the Managing Committee Members will address the Members on the cover page. I thought that this is a good way to be cohesive as an entire committee. I am sure that we also have very prolific writers among our members and I invite them to also send in their articles for publication in this Newsletter. I would like this Newsletter to be collaborative and not just communicative.

In the month that has just gone by, other than the usual events, we had a special event – "The Big Apple Brunch" on the 16th of Jul. Members were treated to a variety of American Food. XaniCroy, the Duo from Goa treated us to a lot of foot tapping music and did they build up an appetite for all the members? You bet they did. The Quadrangle had an Uncle Sam festive look and many adhered to the Dress Code Colours of Blue, Red & White. We are hopeful of having a Special Event on a Sunday afternoon every month.

As this message goes to print, we will be in the month of August and we have a triple celebration on the 15th of Aug. We celebrate the Independence of our country from its Colonial Rulers and on the same day we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. At our Club, we also celebrate it as "Family Day," a fun day for the entire Catholic Club Family. The day starts with a Thanksgiving Holy Mass celebrated at St. Patrick's Church at 10:00 AM followed by the National Flag Hoisting at our Club at 11:30 AM. After that we have a Noon 2 Moon performances from the Band A26 from Goa with DJ Swing and LED Percussionist, Shamrock, filling in when A26 cool their heels. Please come in large numbers for the Thanksgiving Mass as well as for the Flag Hoisting and Family Day that follows thereafter.

The Committee for Elders hosted a Greek Themed Event on 27th July and the Elders had *mia vradiá diaskédasis kai enthousiasmoú* (means "an evening of fun and excitement" in the Greek language).

The Catholic Club Orphan's Trust will be having its Flagship Fund Generating Event, The 14th Edition of the CCOT Charity Golf Tournament on 25th Aug 2023 I take this opportunity to appeal to all our members to contribute generously to CCOT.

All of us at the Managing Committee continue to stay focused on our objectives of Engagement, Community, and Growth.

I look forward to receiving your feedback on the Newsletter as well as on any other matter concerning the Club.

Look forward to meet you all at the Thanksgiving Mass and at our Club thereafter.

Wishing you all a very Happy Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Melville D'Souza President

iBROWSE

The I Browse Event was held on the 7th July 2023 at the Club Ballroom.

It was well attended by members and guests alike. The ambience was warm and inviting and aesthetically pleasing in pink and white, lovely fresh flowers adorned the tables with perfectly curated and designed invitations to the event.

The author Suma Tekur discussed her two books "The Inner Light " and "Table for One " with utmost realisation and honesty. It was an interactive and memorable event







Joeita Pelegrim MIC - iBrowse



Rights of Admission Reserved. Club Rules Apply



FAITH

Despite the pouring rain, over 80 members made it for the Faith programme, the down pour being rather apt, considering the theme of the faith program was Showers of Blessing. Led by Monsignor Jayanathan who gave us great insight on the love that God has for us and the blessing that we never know what God has in-store for us.

Hiren and his troupe illuminated the evening with their melodious voice and further strengthening our confidence was the attendance of our President, Vice President, Treasurer and a large number of Committee Members and their overwhelming support and participation in the Candle Blessing was truly inspiring to all our members setting an example that faith still plays a major role in the functioning of the Catholic Club.

May god Bless us all.







INDEPENDENCE DAY RUMMY KNOCK OUT TOURNAMENT 2023



21 CARDS ON SATURDAY AUGUST 12TH,2023 @3PM CLUB CONTRIBUTION RS. 20000/- 13 CARDS ON SUNDAY AUGUST 20TH,2023 @11 AM CLUB CONTRIBUTION RS. 15000/-

WITH FELLOWSHIP



Snacks, Gifts Prizes, Gifts & More!!

Prize Money Rs. 2 Lakh

Ticket Sales will commence at 6.15pm Members and Guests are allowed Please be seated by 6.45pm Members and their dependents have to produce their smart card while buying the housie ticket booklets.





Catholic Club Celebrates

Family Day TUESDAY 15TH AUGUST, 2023



HOLY MASS at 10AM @ St.Patrick's Church followed by flag hoisting at the Club & thereafter celebrations with India's top Goan Band A 26 followed by DJ SWING



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Noon

Live set to spin you off your feet!!

Dj Swing & LED percussionist Shamrock



Advance Sale ends on 14th August Member Rs. 400

Dependent: (5-24yrs) Rs. 200

Guest Single : Rs. 1180

Guest Child: (5-24yrs) Rs. 499

Table Rs. Rs.200

Please Note Only Entry Ticket will be sold on the event day (same rates as above/NO LUNCH) Ladies Bar Night

The First Ladies event from the new committee was held on the 19th of July. It was meant to be a LADIES BAR NIGHT at the bar, but due to the overwhelming response to the event theme which was PINK and PEARLS, ticket sales for this exclusive event crossed over 110. The venue was therefore shifted to the RAINTREE, which made a huge difference for the camaraderie and fun that followed.



The super-efficient Ladies sub-committee helped transform Raintree into a lovely bar, with decoration and streamers aplenty.

A huge Thank You to the sponsors for the event:

To CHANDON for sponsoring BRUT and ROSE. The ladies were treated to a glass of the fine spirit as a welcome drink.

To my fellow committee member, Tushar

Fernandes, for sponsoring the lip-smacking Liver Pate.

To the Ladies sub-committee member, Mafalda Quadros, for delicious croquettes.

A few games were held, which got the ladies to interact, have fun, break the ice. Thank You to Scent Salon Spa and Reshma D'Souza for sponsoring a few prizes for these games.

The evening spun into a rocking dance floor as the ladies swayed and danced to fabulous music played by DJ Preethi.

I am so grateful to my wonderful sub-committee (Mafalda Quadros, Veena D'Souza, Louella D'Souza, Coreen Fareed) for all of their brilliant support in organising this successful event.

Maya Bashyam MIC





CELEBRATE THE ASSUMPTION

Praise & Worship lead by Fr. Joseph Abraham - CSSR with Salvation Choir

Aqua Zumba

On Saturday 19th August 2023 @ 9 AM

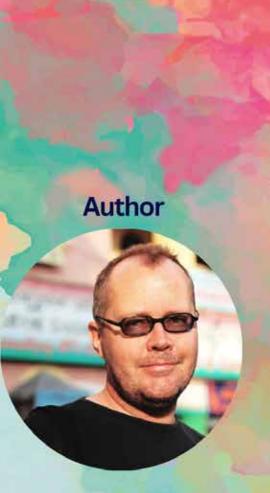


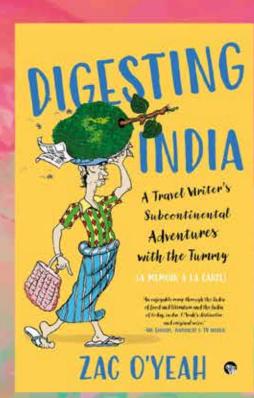
Just bored of your regular exercise routines. It is a fun-filled water- based Zumba fitness workout/party in the pool.

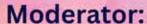


Catholic Club iBrowse Book Club

Invites you to join us for the Book Launch of "DIGESTING INDIA" By Author Zac O' Yeah (OVER WINE & CHEESE)









ZAC O' YEAH IN CONVERSATION WITH STANLEY CARVALHO

ON SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST 2023, 7 PM @ BALLROOM

Entry: Members Free / Guest Rs. 150

CARDS

Rummy Tournaments

Independence Day, 21 cards Rummy Knock out tournament will be held on 12th, August 2023 at the Sky Lounge.

Independence Day 13 cards Rummy Knock out tournament 20th, August 2023 at Rain Tree.

For further enquiries please call Mr. Vincent Paul on 9945240926 and Mr Ashok on 9844179507

Bridge

You are in good company and there is nothing better than BRIDGE to keep your mind active. A good addiction to have

We look forward to seeing you all in large numbers at Catholic Club for the regular Live bridge tournaments every Tuesday at 6 pm. You could also get your friends along too.

Bridge Classes: The Bridge classes you have been waiting for will begin on Tuesday the 8th of August from 3 to 5 pm. This will be a six week course of 18 classes, a mix of live and online classes conducted by the KSBA in collaboration with the Catholic Club

Fees for the 6 week course:

Rs 6900 for members (Rs 2300 every two weeks)
Rs 11100 for non-members (Rs 3700 ever two weeks)

Don't miss the chance of learning this fantastic mind sport. To book your seat call Hermie at 9880195654.

Whist

Whist is a simple, social game of cards, depending on luck and some talent. There is NO element of gambling in Whist.

We play Whist at the Catholic Club from 6 to about 8.30 pm each Monday.

All members and guests (need not be accompanied by member) are welcome to participate.

To encourage learning this interesting game free training will be provided on Mondays from 5 pm starting on July 24.

Please message 9686000522 to register for the whist learning.

Anup Saldanha MIC - Cards

NEW MEMBERS - JULY



A warm welcome to all the new Catholic Club members!

New Sr. Citizens

1.Mr. Wren Paul

2.Mr. Violet P H Rodrigues

3.Mr. William Rodrigues

Donor Members

4.Mrs. Madhuban Halder

5.Mr. Tanturvadhan Sabrinathan

6.Mr. Vishal Chirania

7.Mr. Raghavendra A M

Life Members

8.Mrs. Mercy Charmaine Pauline Chhatbar

9.Mr. Satish Sirafin Thangam

10.Mr. J Dennis Wilfred

11.Mrs. Smitha Reddy

Temporary Members

12.Mr. Vishal Rohith D'Souza

13.Mr. Sudarshan Rajan

Ordinary Members

14.Mr. Ashok Serrao

15.Mr. Joseph Victor

16.Mr. Arun Joseph D'Souza

Approved at the Membership Interview Meeting Held on 12th July 2023 at CC.

Internal Committee

The management is looking for 1 Male and 1 Female Member with professional experience in the Legal & Counselling areas to serve on the Internal Committee for inquiries that have to be conducted with regard to complaints of Sexual Harassment.

Your acceptance to serve on the above committee may please be sent to president@catholiclub.com







PRESENTS

14th
EDITION

of the

Catholic Club Charity Golf Tournament

Friday, 25 August, 2023

Reporting time: 12:00 p.m.

Shotgun tee off: 12:30 p.m.

Venue : Clover Greens Golf Scapes

Registration

Individual : Rs. 8,000/-Team of 4 Golfers : Rs. 30,000/-

Entry forms available at Catholic club and at starter desks of other Golf Courses.

Prize Distribution: 25th August 2023, evening at the venue followed by cocktails and dinner

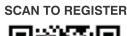
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JOIN US ON SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST, 6:30PM TO 8:30 PM @ BALLROOM

Entry: Members Family of 4 Rs. 250 Family of 3 Rs. 200 Guests Family of 4 Rs. 350 Family of 3 Rs. 300

CC encourages you to enjoy the Movie time as a family

HOUSIE

HOUSIE! BINGO! HOUSIE! YES!!

July has seen our Housie events continue to attract overwhelming crowds. Our I lakh Bumper Housie had a record of 184 members and guests in attendance. In addition to the generous cash prizes, the evening was augmented by some super gifts courtesy our very own members, Sunshine White and The Konkan Restaurant, who are unstinting in their support for Housie. Our sincere thanks to them and we rely on their continued support

Our Bingo Morning too, was a grand success and posted an attendance of 149 members and guests. Thanks, are also due to Jeffrey Crasta, another stalwart of ours, who supported this event with vouchers to augment the prizes.

So, it is amply clear that our Housie fraternity is thoroughly enjoying themselves and so are we, in providing them with these entertaining events. We have also introduced a "Members Only" Housie event on a trial basis, to give our members a bit of exclusivity.

As we enter into the month of August, with 'Independence Day' on the horizon, we will be having a Super Duper Bumper Housie on Sunday 13th August at 7pm, with Rs.2 Lakhs in prize money, plus some other attractions thrown in. We aim to break the 200 barrier for attendance this time and are eagerly awaiting the response from our loyal members and guests.

I must thank my strong subcommittee, who have supported me in all these endeavors and also run the Morning Bingo without me. Kudos team!

And of course, not forgetting our Housie fraternity for showing up in large numbers and having fun.

Thank you all.

Mark Lushington MiC Housie.

TREASURE HUNT

The first Treasure Hunt of this year saw a smaller turn out. However, everyone who participated said that they had blast! A good sign was teams who entered for the first time and who vowed to come every time in future!

Congratulations to the winners! 1st: Lionel, Steffi, Daryl and Eva 2nd: Aryan, Nikita, Crystal and Greg

WHATS THE GOOD WORD

A great turnout (10 teams) and lovely rounds meant a real fun filled evening.

Thanks to the organisers, Anna and Alicia, and congratulations to all the winners.





Friday 18th August 2023, 7pm.

Let's go back to the original format for a change – 2 to a team with only Good Word, Pictionary and Dumb Charades rounds. Start practicing now and be there on the 18th August.

Gavin Cordeiro MIC

ELDERS

It's Greek All The Way!!

It was indeed a magical evening on Thursday, July 27th, when the rain gods made way for our very own Greek Gods and Goddesses. The new Prime Timers Subcommittee headed by Mrs. Lunita Pais D'sa left no stone unturned to give the club members an evening to remember. The theme was Greek and it started with the beautiful inviting poster which drew in more than 190 folks. With the enchanting strains of the Bouzouki in the background, white tablecloths, and a photobooth festooned with vine leaves and bunches of grapes, one could almost feel you were on the enchanted island of Santorini.

The menu was extensive and delicious and kept to the theme with Welcome Bites consisting of Pita bread, Hummus and Olives as well as a delicious starter of Greek Chicken Souvlaki & Potato Rosemary Lemonates served with a Tzatziki dip. For the main course there was Classic Greek Chicken Moussaka served with Mushroom rice & salad. The dessert was a soul satisfying Baked Greek Yoghurt drizzled with honey and custard sauce.

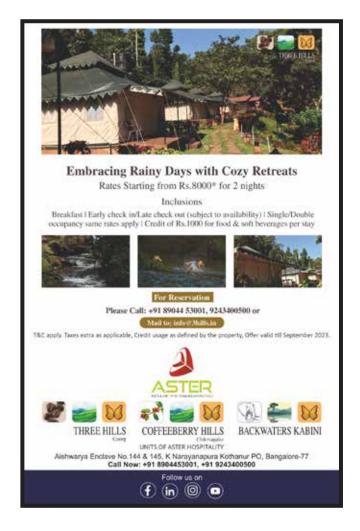
There was non-stop entertainment with a number of prizes to be given away, starting off with Housie, followed by a Greek-themed quiz, a mini Olympics for our men folk and a prize for the best dressed toga wearing man and woman. If that was not enough, we also had the committee performing the popular Sirtaki dance choreographed by Alisha Peres. The music by Zervan kept the members on their toes dancing away into the late hours of the evening. We can give a resounding cheer of "Opa" to our new talented sub-committee.







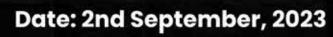






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*Guest Rs. 600

*Lady Member + Guest Gent Rs. 800 *Guest Couple Rs. 1000

*Inclusive of Tax

Tickets are available now and can be purchased online



- OT BRIDGE
 TUESDAY 6:00 PM
- O4 BAR NIGHT BY TUMBLEWEED CLINTON
- O5 MUSICAL EVENING BY NEVILLE & PRANAV
- O6 BRUNCH WITH FABIAN WHITE 12:00 PM
 REGULAR HOUSIE 7:00 PM
 SUNDAY
- O7 WHIST DRIVE
- OB BRIDGE
 TUESDAY 6:00 PM
- BAR NITE BY BLUE KNIGHTS IAN STEPHENSON FRIDAY 8:00 PM
 - 12 INDEPENDENCE DAY
 21 CARDS RUMMY KNOCKOUT TOURNAMENT 3:00 PM
 BOOZE & BRAIN BY MARK REGO & DJ NEIL 8:00 PM
 SATURDAY
- BRUNCH WITH VAL & LEO 12:30 PM
 INDEPENDENCE DAY BUMPER HOUSIE FOR 2LAKH 7:00 PM
 SUNDAY
- 14 WHIST DRIVE MONDAY 6:00 PM
- FAMILY DAY A26 NOON TO MOON, DJ SWING & SHAMROCK TUESDAY- 1:00 PM

WHATS THE GOOD WORD 7:00 PM
BAR NITE BY INFRA-VIOLET TWINS COREEN & MAUREEN 8:00 PM
FRIDAY

FAITH PROGRAMME CELEBRATE THE ASSUMPTION 7:00 PM
MUSICAL EVENING 8:00 PM
SATURDAY

ROMP RUN 6:00 AM

13 CARDS RUMMY KNOCKOUT TOURNAMENT 11:00 AM

BINGO HOUSIE 11:00 AM

BRUNCH WITH PETER REBELLO & ATHMIKA GEORGE 12:30 PM

IBROWSE - DIGESTING INDIA BY AUTHOR ZAC O YEAH 7:00 PM

SUNDAY

- 21 WHIST DRIVE
- 22 BRIDGE
 TUESDAY 6:00 PM
- 25 BAR NITE BY 420 ZERVAN
 FRIDAY 8:00 PM
- 26 MUSICAL EVENING BY DJ SHERWIN SATURDAY 8:00 PM
- BRUNCH ROSEMARY JOSHI 12:30 PM
 REGULAR HOUSIE 7:00 PM
 SUNDAY
- 28 WHIST DRIVE
 MONDAY 6:00 PM
- 29 BRIDGE
 TUESDAY 6:00 PM