

MARCH 2021

CATCH-UP!

The Catholic Club Monthly Newsletter

For God so loved the world
that He gave His only Son,
that whoever believes in Him
shall not perish, but have eternal life.
~ John 3:16



FROM THE **PRESIDENT's** DESK



Dear Fellow Members,

As we enter the season of Lent, entertainment will take the back seat and our Lenten Recollection programmes will be held once a month. These programmes will help us reflect on our spiritual lives and to thank the Lord for all that he has given us. The first recollection was a very interesting session conducted by Fr. Joseph Royan. We will be having many more interesting sessions being conducted by Msgr. Jayanathan and many other talented preachers. I look forward to meeting you dear members at these programmes. Please do attend in large numbers.

The month of February saw the month of love celebrated with great fervour at the club and the month was truly a 'Blast before the Fast!'. The activities & entertainment were non stop and highly entertaining in all departments. The Noon to Moon Carnival was well attended and the club was colourfully decorated on that day which put everyone in a very festive mood. King Momo and his troupe electrified the dance floor with the famous Jerusalem. Our Emcee Jonathan kept the members and their guests entertained and on their feet with some awesome music from Goa's leading band A26, who were mind blowing and 'DJ Neil' who performed till late at night.

The Refurbished bar 'Ballantine's Lounge' was inaugurated on the 12th of February by Mr. Rajeev Jain Regional Head of Pernod Ricard India Pvt. Ltd. followed by the bar nite where the musicians rocked the night away.

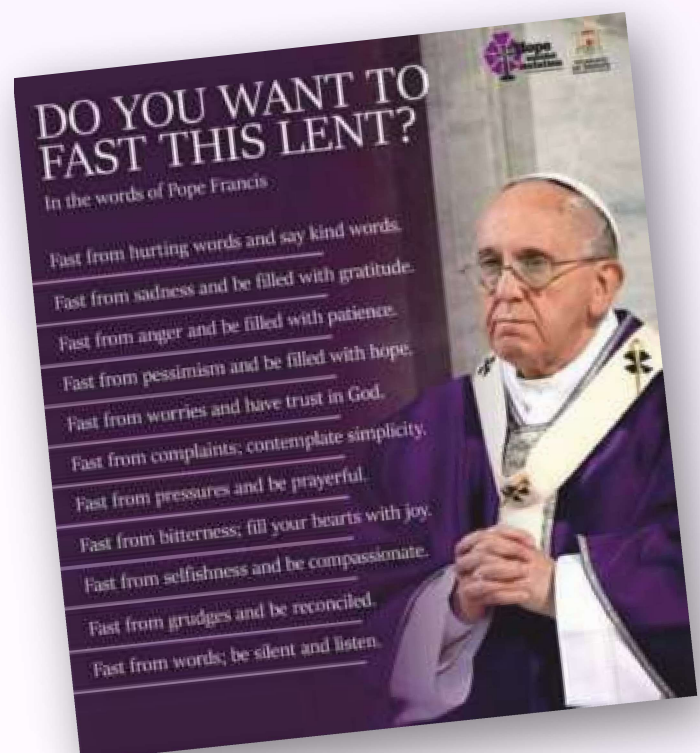
It was indeed heartening to see the number of youth who participated in the Amateur nite which was well organised and showcased some great talent.

Sunday brunches will continue as usual with soft music and we will be introducing two new caterers Black Garlic who specialises in chaats and juices and Happy Hours 'Mastani Cafe' who excels in roasts, grills, barbeques and continental spreads. Icecream sundaes and healthy milkshakes will be introduced by them. There will also be gospel musical evenings on the 12th and 19th by Domnic and Sudhakar. Don't miss these events...be there.

A Passion Musical Evening 'Via Dolorosa' is being directed by Dr. Ashley Williams and being brought to you by the newly formed Catholic Club Youth Music Project on the 26th of March. This is an initiative by the youth to raise funds for the St. Patrick's Boys' Home. Please do support this initiative by our youth and patronize it with your generosity.

May God give us the grace to reflect on our spiritual lives and be more charitable during this season of Lent. God bless all of you my dear members.

Ricky Patel
President



The POPE's MESSAGE 2021

Lent: a Time for Renewing Faith, Hope and Love.

"Behold, we
are going up
to Jerusalem"
(Mt 20:18).

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus revealed to his disciples the deepest meaning of his mission when he told them of his passion, death and resurrection, in fulfilment of the Father's will. He then called the disciples to share in this mission for the salvation of the world.

In our Lenten journey towards Easter, let us remember the One who "humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross" (Phil 2:8). During this season of conversion, let us renew our faith, draw from the "living water" of hope, and receive with open hearts the love of God, who makes us brothers and sisters in Christ. At the Easter vigil, we will renew our baptismal promises and experience rebirth as new men and women by the working of the Holy Spirit. This Lenten journey, like the entire pilgrimage of the Christian life, is even now illumined by the light of the resurrection, which inspires the thoughts, attitudes and decisions of the followers of Christ.

Fasting, prayer and almsgiving, as preached by Jesus (cf. Mt 6:1-18), enable and express our conversion. The path of poverty and self-denial (fasting), concern and loving care for the poor (almsgiving), and childlike dialogue with the Father (prayer) make it possible for us to live lives of sincere faith, living hope and effective charity.

1. Faith calls us to accept the truth and testify to it before God and all our brothers and sisters.

In this Lenten season, accepting and living the truth revealed in Christ means, first of all, opening our hearts to God's word, which the Church passes on from generation to generation. This truth is not an abstract concept reserved for a chosen intelligent few. Instead, it is a message that all of us can receive and understand thanks to the wisdom of a heart open to the grandeur of God, who loves us even before we are aware of it. Christ himself is this truth. By taking on our humanity, even to its very limits, he has made himself the way – demanding, yet open to all – that leads to the fullness of life.

Fasting, experienced as a form of self-denial, helps those who undertake it in simplicity of heart to rediscover God's gift and to recognize that, created in his image and likeness, we find our fulfilment in him. In embracing the experience of poverty, those who fast make themselves poor with the poor and accumulate the treasure of a love both received and shared. In this way, fasting helps us to love God and our neighbour, inasmuch as love, as Saint Thomas Aquinas teaches, is a movement outwards that focuses our attention on others and considers them as one with ourselves (cf. Fratelli Tutti, 93).

Lent is a time for believing, for welcoming God into our lives and allowing him to "make his dwelling" among us (cf. Jn 14:23). Fasting involves being freed from all that weighs us down – like consumerism or an excess of information, whether true or false – in order to open the doors of our hearts to the One who comes to us, poor in all things, yet "full of grace and truth" (Jn 1:14): the Son of God our Saviour.

2. Hope as "living water" enabling us to continue our journey.

The Samaritan woman at the well, whom Jesus asks for a drink, does not understand what he means when he says that he can offer her "living water" (Jn 4:10). Naturally, she thinks that he is referring to material water, but Jesus is speaking of the Holy Spirit whom he will give in abundance through the paschal mystery, bestowing a hope that does not disappoint. Jesus had already spoken of this hope when, in telling of his passion and death, he said that he would "be raised on the third day" (Mt 20:19). Jesus was speaking of the future opened up by the Father's mercy. Hoping with him and because of him means believing that history does not end with our mistakes, our violence and injustice, or the sin that crucifies Love. It means receiving from his open heart the Father's forgiveness.

In these times of trouble, when everything seems fragile and uncertain, it may appear challenging to speak of hope. Yet Lent is precisely the season of hope, when we turn back to God who patiently continues to care for his creation which we have often mistreated (cf. *Laudato Si'*, 32-33; 43-44). Saint Paul urges us to place our hope in reconciliation: "Be reconciled to God" (2 Cor 5:20). By receiving forgiveness in the sacrament that lies at the heart of our process of conversion, we in turn can spread forgiveness to others. Having received forgiveness ourselves, we can offer it through our willingness to enter into attentive dialogue with others and to give comfort to those experiencing sorrow and pain. God's forgiveness, offered also through our words and actions, enables us to experience an Easter of fraternity.

In Lent, may we be increasingly concerned with "speaking words of comfort, strength, consolation and encouragement, and not words that demean, sadden, anger or show scorn" (Fratelli Tutti, 223). In order to give hope to others, it is sometimes enough simply to be kind, to be "willing to set everything else aside in order to show interest, to give the gift of a smile, to speak a word of encouragement, to listen amid general indifference" (ibid., 224).

Through recollection and silent prayer, hope is given to us as inspiration and interior light, illuminating the challenges and choices we face in our mission. Hence the need to pray (cf. Mt 6:6) and, in secret, to encounter the Father of tender love.

To experience Lent in hope entails growing in the realization that, in Jesus Christ, we are witnesses of new times, in which God is "making all things new" (cf. Rev 21:1-6). It means receiving the hope of Christ, who gave his life on the cross and was raised by God on the third day, and always being "prepared to make a defense to anyone who calls [us] to account for the hope that is in [us]" (1 Pet 3:15).

3. Love, following in the footsteps of Christ, in concern and compassion for all, is the highest expression of our faith and hope.

Love rejoices in seeing others grow. Hence it suffers when others are anguished, lonely, sick, homeless, despised or in need. Love is a leap of the heart; it brings us out of ourselves and creates bonds of sharing and communion.

"'Social love' makes it possible to advance towards a civilization of love, to which all of us can feel called. With its impulse to universality, love is capable of building a new world. No mere sentiment, it is the best means of discovering effective paths of development for everyone" (Fratelli Tutti, 183).

Love is a gift that gives meaning to our lives. It enables us to view those in need as members of our own family, as friends, brothers or sisters. A small amount, if given with love, never ends, but becomes a source of life and happiness. Such was the case with the jar of meal and jug of oil of the widow of Zarephath, who offered a cake of bread to the prophet Elijah (cf. 1 Kings 17:7-16); it was also the case with the loaves blessed, broken and given by Jesus to the disciples to distribute to the crowd (cf. Mk 6:30-44). Such is the case too with our almsgiving, whether small or large, when offered with joy and simplicity.

To experience Lent with love means caring for those who suffer or feel abandoned and fearful because of the Covid-19 pandemic. In these days of deep uncertainty about the future, let us keep in mind the Lord's word to his Servant, "Fear not, for I have redeemed you" (Is 43:1). In our charity, may we speak words of reassurance and help others to realize that God loves them as sons and daughters.

"Only a gaze transformed by charity can enable the dignity of others to be recognized and, as a consequence, the poor to be acknowledged and valued in their dignity, respected in their identity and culture, and thus truly integrated into society" (Fratelli Tutti, 187).

Dear brothers and sisters, every moment of our lives is a time for believing, hoping and loving. The call to experience Lent as a journey of conversion, prayer and sharing of our goods, helps us – as communities and as individuals – to revive the faith that comes from the living Christ, the hope inspired by the breath of the Holy Spirit and the love flowing from the merciful heart of the Father.

May Mary, Mother of the Saviour, ever faithful at the foot of the cross and in the heart of the Church, sustain us with her loving presence. May the blessing of the risen Lord accompany all of us on our journey towards the light of Easter.

Francis

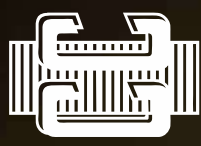
Quiz Time

1. How many Sundays are there in Ordinary Time.?
 - A. 23
 - B. 34
 - C. 20
 - D. 50
2. What is the Title used to address a Cardinal.?
 - A. Your Lordship
 - B. His Holiness
 - C. Your Eminence
 - D. Monsignor
3. The place where priest are trained is called?
 - A. Bible School
 - B. University
 - C. Seminary
 - D. Cathedral
4. When a Pope dies or retires, the place used to elect a New Pope is called?
 - A. Conclave
 - B. Collegiate
 - C. Prayer meeting
 - D. None
5. The real name of Pope Francis
 - A. Peter Hons
 - B. Jorge Mario Bergoglio
 - C. Francis Bergoglio
 - D. None
6. Pope Francis is the ___ Pope.
 - A. 233rd
 - B. 256th
 - C. 366th
 - D. 266th
7. The number of days between Easter and Pentecost is
 - A. 40
 - B. 70
 - C. 50
 - D. 10
8. The Conclude the introductory rite
 - A. Collect
 - B. Gloria
 - C. Angus Dei
 - D. Kyrie
9. The giving of communion by dipping the consecrated host into the Consecrated Wine is called
 - A. Intinction
 - B. Institution
 - C. Commingling
 - D. Instinction
10. The Colour is worn on the feast of Pentecost
 - A. Green
 - B. White
 - C. Red
 - D. Violet
11. Which of the following clergymen qualify to be a Pope
 - A. Priest
 - B. Bishop
 - C. Monsignor
 - D. Cardinal
12. A person who lead the prayer of the faithful is called
 - A. Lector
 - B. Bidder
 - C. Clapper
 - D. Prayer leader
13. The metal container use to hold the oils is called
 - A. Stock
 - B. Stoup
 - C. Pyx
 - D. Sepulcrum
14. How many times do a Priest make genuflection during mass ?
 - A. 2
 - B. 4
 - C. plenty
 - D. 3
15. How many liturgical seasons do we have ?
 - A. 4
 - B. 5
 - C. 3
 - D. 7
16. Which day in the Catholic church that we do not celebrate mass ?
 - A. When a Pope die
 - B. Good Friday
 - C. When the priest go for leave
 - D. None
17. The Symbol of a Priest is
 - A. Cassock
 - B. Alb
 - C. Stole
 - D. Cincture



VIA DOLOROSA

An Easter Musical Extravaganza



7PM . FRIDAY
26th March 2021

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St. Patrick's Boys'
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Our Devotional Journey

The season of lent teaches us the importance of Fasting, Prayer and Alms Giving and with such a meaningful message shared by Fr. Joseph Royan, CSSR it was an eye opener for all of us during the recent faith program held on 19th February'21.

The evening commenced with praise and worship with the community singing together Lenten hymns. Were you there, That Old Rugged Cross, God of Mercy and Compassion and others were sung together as members closed their eyes and prayed. Shortly after, there was a community prayer where we prayed for all those around the world affected by the pandemic. A special hymn 'The Summons' was taught to the congregation and it was great to learn something new.

Fr. Joseph Royan shared a very special message on the important of St. Joseph's Feast coming up on the 19th of March and how the Pope marked this year dedicated to the Year of St. Joseph. He also spoke about the Pope's love for St. Joseph and how the Saint had helped him in each and every step of the way. The evening concluded with a final blessing to all the members and their families.

Sameera Fernandes
MIC ~ Faith





Catholic Club

Faith Committee

invites you to join us in celebrating the

Feast of St Joseph



Friday, 19th March 2021, 7 pm

@ The Catholic Club, Museum Road, Bengaluru

Lenten Hymns

Sing Along Session

Quiz Competition

Streaming Partner:

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8.30pm FRIDAY 19th March 2021

At the Catholic Club Quadrangle

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a concert of Christian music
with

Dominic D'Cruz & friends
Catholic Club, 8 p.m. onwards

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2021

TICKETS: Members- Free

Guest - Rs.200/-





Galentine's Day

The Galentine's Day rejoicing in Friendship and Sisterhood took place on the 14th of February. The programme drew a large number of ladies who were looking to bond and have a fun time together. Commencing with two rounds of tambola and plenty of spot competitions, there was singing, dancing to romantic love songs.

It was wonderful to see women dressed in the colours of love. Shots were sponsored by the newly renovated Bar, the Ballentine's team and the ladies were only too thrilled. The programme concluded with a buffet lunch and lively music. All attendees were gifted with beautiful dazzling tea lights to take home the positive energy and spread the feeling of love and bonding to their close family and friends.

Sameera Fernandes
MIC – Ladies Committee





Catholic Club

LADIES COMMITTEE PRESENTS

OUR TIME TO SHINE! WOMEN'S DAY

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DANCING, TAMBOLA, COCKTAILS
FOR ALL, SPOT COMPETITIONS,
FASHION SHOW, MUSIC, & PLENTY
OF SURPRISES

TICKETS

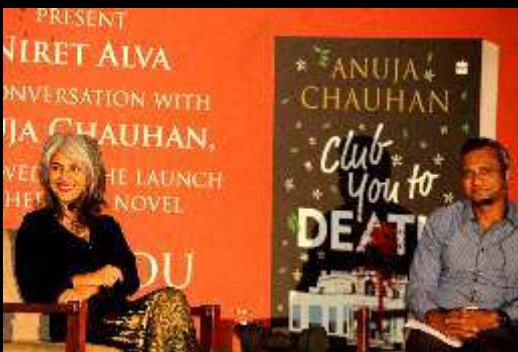
MEMBERS: RS. 250/-

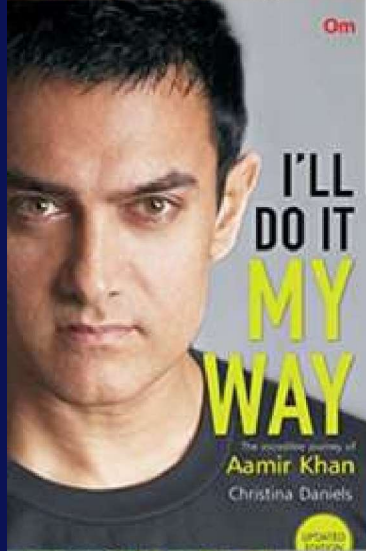
GUESTS: RS. 350/-

The launch and release of Anuja Chauhan's new book 'Club You to Death' was quite an experience as it drew the literary community across Bengaluru to witness a significant milestone. Set in the pulsating heart of Lutyen's Delhi, the story revolves around a hunky personal trainer who is found asphyxiated to death under the overloaded barbell at a posh Delhi Turf Club. The novel is quite engaging and so was the launch celebration as well. Anuja is also the author of five bestselling novels – The Zoya Factor, Battle for Bittora, Those Pricey Thakur Girls, The House that BJ Built and Baaz – all of which have been acquired by major Bombay studios.

The event was attended by prominent members of Bengaluru's literary community and others. The conversation between the author Anuja Chauhan and her husband television producer Niret Alva was quite engaging and that kept the members engaged till the very end. Anuja's book is available on Amazon and also at the club library.

Sameera Fernandes MIC - iBrowse Book Club





**CATHOLIC CLUB
iBrowse Book Club
LITERATURE FESTIVAL**

Sunday, 21st March 2021
11 to 5 pm

Tickets: Members: Rs. 100/-
Guests: Rs. 250/-



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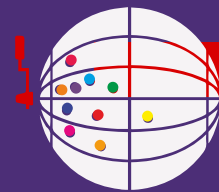
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BILLIARD ROOM



HOUSIE

7th March - 30,000 | 14th March - 30,000
21st March - 30,000 | 28th March - 30,000
4th April - Easter Bumper Housie for 1,00,000 +
Complimentary Dinner.

Praveen Jerome
MIC - HOUSIE



The billiards room started February with yet another fun Beer and Biryani tournament. The tournament was sponsored by Mr. Gavin Standon and we sincerely thank him for this kind gesture. The 3 a side tournament format featured 10 teams that battled it out all evening to be crowned champions. As always, amidst all the seriousness of the game, the fun and camaraderie was at its best throughout the tournament. After all round robin & knock-out matches, the final came down to Karl, Ashley & Vivan versus Aaron, Sam & Kenan. Captain Karl marshalled his team slightly better than Aaron to gain an advantage small enough to eventually emerge as champions of the tournament. The evening continued with everyone at the Billiard room enjoying themselves with more snooker and F&B to the very end.

Once again, my thanks & appreciation to Mr. Gavin Standon for the sponsorship. The Billiard room is well on its way to revival of the game at the Catholic club with exciting days ahead as we look at the feasibility & planning of the most popular league tournament, CCSBL (Catholic Club Snooker & Billiards League) and the regular scheduled tournaments in 2021.

Cheers & Regards,

Steve Fernandez
MIC - Billiards.



Narendra Kumar
 Founder - Footloose Aerobics
 Founder - Boomerang Indoor cycling
 Master trainer for NAFC (USA)
 Certification : National Association for Fitness Certification ,USA.

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March 2021 -
 6.30am to 7.30am

For more details call:
 Vani @ 4902333 extn 224 -
 (11am- 6pm)

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 seasoned professional
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 celebrity trainer and a
 fitness expert.

Educating fitness and
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 Workouts.

Narendra Kumar has
 represented India at the
 American Aerobics
 Championship.



Our next
RUMP
 6am Sunday
 21st March'21

Come JOIN US ON WHATSAPP

Join the RUMP group and get run updates

Ivy Menezes - 9448799192
 Rizwan - 9844322786

Robert Nelson Phillip
 MIC ~ Health Club

Catholic Club's AMATEUR NIGHT



Catholic Club's AMATEUR NITE

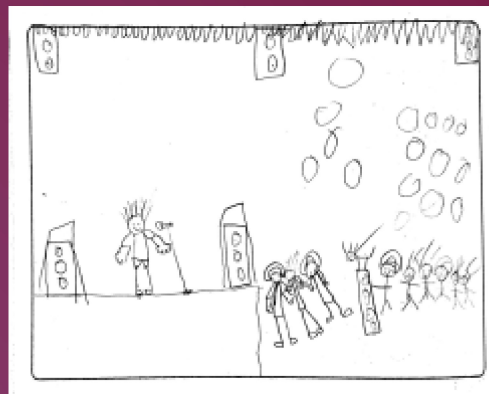
After a long wait, the Catholic Club Youth were able to finally bring you the annual musical extravaganza "Amateur Nite". This time with a new format to boost, participants were requested to send in videos of their performance, and the best of those were chosen to compete in the live finals.

I was overwhelmed by the incredible response I received as well as the amazing display of talent. With over 100 videos coming in from all the categories and age groups, we were assured of a great Live Finals... And what a great Live Final it was, one of the best the club has ever seen in this competition which has panned across decades.

The evening was a testament to the incredible talent the club has to offer. I cannot begin to express my gratitude and awe for all the contestants and the finalists of Amateur Nite, you were amazing to work with, and have a bright future ahead of you.

The Youth committee and I are proud to present to you the winners of Amateur Nite- 2021.

Tarun's Impression
of the Stage set
for Amateur Nite



I would also like to extend my gratitude to our Judges Dr. Ashley Williams, Ms. Priya Mendens and Ms. Sunshine White, who did an amazing job encouraging and supporting our contestants right from the online video round to the finals.

Next, I would like to thank our gift sponsors, Knowhere Bar & Grill and Sound Glitz, for their contributions to making the event special. I would also like to mention that Mr. Tushar Fernandes, MIC-Events, personally contributed towards some of the cash prizes. On behalf of the youth, thank you Tushar, for the contribution and support towards this event. I would also like to thank all the committee members for helping me whenever needed, and for their guidance and mentorship.

Lastly, but not the least, a shout out to the entire Youth Committee and the Catholic Club staff whose efforts behind the scenes made this event the massive success that it was. Denzil, Idalina, Shimrith and Anjali, I could not have done this without you guys.

This is just the beginning; I have a lot more in store for the talent of the club. Together we can leverage this incredible platform to build something truly inspiring. Watch out for more on the horizon!

Yours truly,

Sean Pereira
MIC - Youth

AMATEUR NITE WINNERS

SOLO INSTRUMENTAL	Under 9	9 to 14	15 to 20	21+
	Emmanuel Treck	Kenneth Besterwitch	Saira Chandavarkar	Adesh Vinod
	Kayden Besterwitch	Michelle Rebello	Nathaniel P Francis	Vineet Braganza
	Rhys DSouza	Donavan Besterwitch	Leeanne Besterwitch	Kimberley D'Souza
SOLO VOCAL	Under 10	10 to 15	16 to 21	21+
	Tarun Noronha	Annaika Fernandes	Tasha Dennis	Kripa Fernandes
	Vanessa Rebello	Jewel Lasrado	Vineet Braganza	Kerina Pereira & Nishad Menezes
	Leah Dsouza & Felicia Antonio	Netania Fernandes	Leeanne Besterwitch	Joanne Louzado
Open Categories	Duet	Bands	Judges Choice Awards	
	Vidya Samuel & Ricardo D'Roza	Abigail Charles & Band	Rytasha Bativala (Solo)	
	Kripa Fernandes & Rahul Joseph	Kimberley D'Souza & Band	Besterwitch Family Band (Group)	
	Nicole & Michelle Cherian			



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Date Days Programmes Time

MARCH

07-03-2020	SUNDAY	Ladies Coffee Morning Woman's Day Special - OUR TIME TO SHINE BUMPER HOUSIE	11.00 AM 7.15 PM
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13-03-2020	FRIDAY	THE FACE OF THY NEIGHBOUR CHRISTIAN MUSIC with DOMINIC D'CRUZ & FRIENDS	8.00 PM
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14-03-2021	SUNDAY	BUMPER HOUSIE	7.15 PM
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19-03-2020	FRIDAY	Faith Programme CELEBRATING FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH	7.00 PM
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		COUNTRY WESTERN MUSIC BY SUDHAKAR JAYARAJ & FRIENDS	8.30 PM
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21-03-2021	SUNDAY	ROMP IBROWSE - CC LITERATURE FESTIVAL BUMPER HOUSIE	6.00 AM 11AM - 5 PM 7.15 PM
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26-03-2021	FRIDAY	VIA DOLOROSA- MUSICAL EVENING BY CC YOUTH	7.00 PM
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28-03-2021	SUNDAY	BUMPER HOUSIE	7.15 PM
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APRIL

03-04-2021	SATURDAY	EASTER PARTY with GOA'S BAND TRUE BLUE	8.00 PM
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04-04-2021	SUNDAY	EASTER BUMPER HOUSIE	7.15 PM
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Easter Special

Let down your hair this EASTER at CATHOLIC CLUB

TRUE BLUE

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RATE

Member	250
Sr. Dependent	130
Member Child	130
Member Lady + Guest Gent	1000

Guest Single Lady	499
Guest Child	250
Guest Couple	1250

Member/Guest Child (below 12 years)	Free
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Table with 4 Chairs (2 Tables per Member)	200
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