



REPORT ON THE PRAYER SERVICE

on the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola

(Patron Saint of the Society of Jesus)

Organised by	Christian Life Community (CLC), St. Xavier's College, Simdega
Date	30th July 2026
Time	10:30 AM
Venue	College Hall, St. Xavier's College, Simdega
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Members Present

The celebration was graced by the presence of the following dignitaries, staff, and members of the college community:

- Fr. Roshan Baa, SJ — Principal
- Rev. Fr. Sameer Xavier Bhawnra, SJ — Vice Principal
- Fr. Bruno Toppo, SJ — Vice Principal cum Bursar
- Dr. Fr. Nabor Lakra, SJ
- Fr. Sushil Bilung, SJ
- Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff
- Mr. Ansh Kumar Kachhap — President, Students' Council
- Student Representatives and Members of the CLC
- Students across all academic departments

1. Introduction & Overview

The 30th of July 2026 dawned as a day of quiet joy and deep reverence for the Xaverian family, as the Christian Life Community (CLC) came together to celebrate the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola — the visionary founder of the Society of Jesus and the guiding spirit behind every Jesuit institution, including our own beloved college. What unfolded in the College Hall that morning was not merely a programme on a schedule, but a heartfelt tribute: a gathering of prayer, music, reflection and gratitude that left every participant a little more inspired to walk in the footsteps of the Saint whose courage and faith continue to shape generations.

Organised with sincerity and care by the CLC leaders and members, the event brought together faculty, Jesuit fathers, and students in a shared spirit of devotion — a true reflection of the Ignatian values of faith, service and community that St. Xavier's College, Simdega, holds dear.



2. Event Progression

2.1 Welcome & Lighting of the Lamp

The programme opened with warm Words of Welcome, setting a tone of joy and togetherness for the celebration ahead. This was followed by the solemn and symbolic Lighting of the Lamp, performed jointly by the esteemed fathers, the President of CLC, the President of the Student Council, and other members of the faculty — a beautiful moment signifying the dispelling of darkness with the light of faith and wisdom.



2.2 Prayer & Bhajan

The hall was then filled with soulful devotion as students of the CLC led the gathering in Prayer and Bhajan, their voices blending in harmony to create an atmosphere of true worship. The following talented members lent their voices to this beautiful segment of the celebration:

- **Anupama Kullu** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Asmarani Lakra** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Asmita Toppo** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Anupa Jojo** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Reema Tete** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Teresa Xess** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Sonia Lakra** — Sem IV, English Department
- **Priyanka Toppo** — Sem IV, History Department
- **Akansha Soreng** — Sem IV, Hindi Department
- **Vicky Xalxo** — Sem III, English Department
- **Shubash Toppo** — Sem III, English Department
- **Naveen Soreng** — Sem III, English Department

2.3 Gospel Reading & Reflection

A Gospel Reading from Matthew 16:26 — 'For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul?' — brought a moment of stillness and reflection, reminding everyone gathered of the deeper purpose behind faith and service.



The spiritual and intellectual heart of the celebration came alive in the Reflection shared by Dr. Fr. Nabor Lakra, SJ, whose words illuminated the life and legacy of St. Ignatius of Loyola with remarkable insight. Fr. Lakra beautifully traced the Saint's journey from a soldier wounded in battle to a soldier of Christ, drawing meaningful parallels between Ignatian discipline and the everyday struggles and aspirations of students today. His reflection left the audience both moved and motivated, a true highlight of the morning.



2.4 Prayers of the Faithful & Conclusion

The community then united in Prayer for the Faithful, offering intentions for the college, its students, and the wider society, followed by a moving Hymn dedicated to St. Ignatius of Loyola that filled the hall with reverence and melody.



Adding a touch of warmth and festivity, a special Wishing Song was performed, celebrating the Feast with joy and affection. The programme drew to a close with a heartfelt Vote of Thanks delivered by Nishi Priyanka, Sem IV, English Department, who graciously acknowledged the presence and blessings of the guests, the efforts of the organisers, and the participation of the entire college community.





3. Reflection & Acknowledgments

The Prayer Service on the Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola stood as a shining example of what the Christian Life Community strives to embody — faith lived actively, in community, and with joy. It was a morning that reminded every student and staff member present of the timeless Ignatian call: to find God in all things, and to strive, always, for the greater glory of God — *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*.

The CLC extends its heartfelt gratitude to the Jesuit fathers, faculty members, performers, and every student who contributed to making this celebration a truly memorable and spiritually enriching experience. May the courage and devotion of St. Ignatius of Loyola continue to inspire this college family in the days ahead.

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