

Onam Celebration at St Joseph's University, Shift III

On 29 August 2023, the vibrant spirit of Thiruvonam resonated throughout St Joseph's University as students gathered in the Arrupe Atrium to celebrate this traditional festival. The event took place during the long break for Shift III and was organised by the dedicated efforts of the Student Council, with guidance from Mr Prem Sagar and Ms Arpitha Jain.

The festivities commenced with a mesmerising fusion of folk songs, a delightful tribute to the rich cultural heritage of the festival. This was followed by the traditional dance performance, Thiruvathira, which was executed with grace and precision. The sight of students coming together to perform this intricate dance form added a touch of elegance to the celebration.

Adding a modern twist to the festivities, a spirited flash mob was performed by the students, infusing a sense of dynamism and youthful exuberance into the event. The seamless blend of tradition and modernity created an atmosphere of unity and joy among the participants.

What truly set this Thiruvonam celebration apart was the heartwarming participation of the university's esteemed faculty members. The teachers joined in for the Thiruvathira performance, fostering a sense of camaraderie between students and faculty. This shared participation emphasised the universality of the festival's spirit and highlighted the inclusive nature of the university community.

The event transcended cultural boundaries, with students from diverse backgrounds and cultures actively taking part in the festivities. This convergence of cultures added a unique dimension to the celebration, making it a true representation of the university's commitment to fostering a global outlook.

The Thiruvonam celebration was a resounding success, thanks to the enthusiastic participation of students and faculty members.

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