

Closing Ceremony of the Golden Jubilee Celebrations

05th August 2023



August 5, 2023 was a golden figured day in the calendar of St. Teresa's Institute of Education, as it marked the culmination of the year-long Golden Jubilee Celebrations. The event was organized and coordinated by Principal In-charge Prof. Dr. Giselle D'souza along with the members of the faculty and the student fraternity. In her introduction at the Eucharistic Celebration, Dr. D'souza mentioned that the completion of five fruitful decades is a major landmark and a significant milestone in the odyssey of any educational institution. The year 2023 earmarks the closing of the Golden Jubilee year of St. Teresa's Institute of Education (S.T.I.E.). A jubilee of an institution is an important event that gives us an opportunity to look backwards on the distance travelled and forward to the journey that lies ahead and has to be planned. Casting a glance over the years that have gone by, the management, staff and students of S.T.I.E. cannot but thank the Almighty for the bounteous graces and blessings showered upon the institution.

The Golden Jubilee Celebration of St. Teresa's Institute of Education was a momentous event that marked fifty years of excellence, growth, and commitment to the field of education. The celebration was a tribute to the institution's rich legacy and a reflection of its enduring dedication to shaping educators and fostering academic brilliance.

The celebration commenced with a grand procession in the Chapel of St. Teresa's Convent that brought together current and former faculty members, students, alumni, and distinguished guests. The student council led the procession holding high the college flag and a flag representing each decade of the 50 glorious years. This was followed by a graceful procession of 20 students offering symbolic objects and documents used as a part of the teaching learning process and placing them at the foot of the altar in a '*Time Capsule*'. This served as a treasure trove of precious memories gathered of the 5 decades gone by.

A prayerful ballet imploring the Lord's blessings enhanced the occasion, weaving together grace, devotion, and aesthetic expression. With each delicate movement and synchronized step, the dancers conveyed a profound sense of spirituality and unity, paying homage to the journey

of STIE over fifty wonderful years.

In a poignant and symbolic gesture, the esteemed faculty members of STIE then stepped forward, each holding a lighted lamp, during the Golden Jubilee celebration. As their lamps illuminated the chapel, they collectively radiated the spirit of knowledge, guidance, and enlightenment that the institution has imparted over five decades. This luminous display served as a tribute to the unwavering dedication of the faculty in illuminating the minds and futures of countless students who have passed through the portals of the college. The lighted lamps stood as a beacon, reminding us all of the transformative power of education and the enduring legacy of STIE.

The jubilant festivities of the Golden Jubilee at STIE took a serene and sacred turn as a solemn Eucharistic celebration presided over by Rev. Fr. Glen D'Mello followed. Amidst the jubilation, this spiritual interlude provided a moment of reflection and gratitude. All the participants gathered in reverence, acknowledging not only the college's remarkable journey but also the divine grace that has guided its path. The Eucharistic celebration served as a touching reminder of the values that have reinforced the institution's success, fostering a deeper sense of unity and purpose among all who were present. The melodious singing by the students' choir echoed the prayer of every heart through hymns which stirred the soul.

A significant and memorable moment occurred when Dr. Sr. Tanuja Waghmare and Prof. Dr. Giselle D'souza respectfully lowered the Golden Jubilee Logo placing it in the Time Capsule, followed by the release of the Golden Jubilee Souvenir by the Provincial Superior, Sr. Mary Lillian and the Manager of S.T.I.E., Sr. Louella Rodrigues. This memoir- a clock was meticulously designed with the Logo, ***"Celebrating 50 Glorious Years of Excellence in Education"***, and an image of the patroness St. Teresa of Avila inscribed on the dial. As the clock's hands continue to mark the passage of time, the logo stands as a testament to the enduring legacy and continuous progress of S.T.I.E.

The Golden Jubilee Celebration of S.T.I.E. was not just a commemoration of the past fifty years; it was a celebration of the college's commitment to shaping education and society for a better and brighter tomorrow. As the college looks forward to the next chapter in its journey, the jubilee celebration served as a reminder of the strong foundation upon which it stands.

This jubilee celebration will be etched in the annals of the college's history as a testament to its growth, resilience, and unwavering dedication to education. The event captured the essence of the institution's past, present, and future aspirations, leaving an indelible mark on all who were fortunate to be part of this historic milestone.

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