

# Darley Rews

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# The College Feast Mass draws in a crowd of new faces

THE ANNUAL College Feast Mass once again attracted a good attendance of some 150 with over a dozen kids at a new venue, the Ponds Hub, in The Ponds in Sydney's west on 16 March. The number of new faces reflected those who left College in the 1980s, 1990s and later. This augurs well for the future of the Association and is a testament to the efforts of the new Committee members to find and attract new members.

The Reverend Father Treseen Silva, chaplain to the Sri Lankan community in New South Wales, celebrated the Mass and in his homily urged all the fathers in the audience to live up to the ideals of St Joseph, our patron, who never failed to do his duty to his family.

After the Mass, President Lalith Grero introduced members of his Committee and gave an account of new events planned for the year to attract younger participants. The recently completed Cricket

Quadrangular was a triumph for the Josephians. He then invited all the Old Joes to come forward and sing the College Anthem.

A very sumptuous dinner catered by Flavour of Ceylon was enjoyed by all and the dance floor was kept humming with the music of Pius Miranda and his Cazcade group and Eddie Corera, enhanced with an accomplished female vocalist. As usual, our own Nishantha Seneviratne did his rendition of songs including the compulsory baila session.

The very enjoyable evening was due to the efforts of President Lalith, who co-ordinated the event, assisted by Vice President Fidel Moldrich, Secretary Shehan Fernando, Committee members Delan Daniels, Reyaz Jeffrey, Upeka Perera, Nishantha Seneviratne and Pradeep Wijesooriya. Campion Fernando once again provided a pleasing table decor.

Thank you all for the magnificent team affort.

Please see pics on the following pages.









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Delan Daniels, Reyaz Jeffrey, Upeka Perera, George Rupesinghe, Nishantha Seneviratne, Pradeep Wijesooriya

## Planned events for 2024

Sydney Touch Footy 6 April 2024

Samantha Riley Drive Reserve, Kellyville

Hopper Lunch and Trivia Day Josephian-Peterite Limited-Over Cricket Golf Day

Annual General Meeting Carols Night and Buffet Dinner 30 November

More information will be announced closer to the events



#### YOUR FEES and DONATIONS WANTED

Please pay your 2024 subscriptions and support the Association

Family \$20. Single \$10. Pensioner family \$10

The funds are needed to meet the club's routine expenses and stage the events

Pay on line to Old Josephians' Association of NSW BSB 062 000 Account no. 0092 4464 or send cheque to the President at 17 Wimbledon Court, Wattle Grove NSW 2173



### Little-known fact

### Palitha Wijesena

was the first non-Catholic student to be appointed as a prefect at St Joseph's College (1961)











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