2. CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

1912 Request of Archbishop Aelen to open a College in Madras in February.

1924 Foundation stone laid by His Excellency Willington, Governor of Madras on 10th March.

1925 Beginning of the College with 75 students enrolled in the first year B.A. in Economics, History and Mathematics. 3 blocks of hostel were constructed. Inauguration of the College by Sir A.P. Patro, Minister of Education.

1926 Establishment of Departments of Physics and Chemistry. Number of students increased to 300.

1927 Commencement of the First year Honours in Mathematics and Economics. Enrollment of students went up to 503. Closure of B.A. History.

1929 Eleven hostel blocks came into existence.

1930 Construction of the College Church.


1933 Annexes were built for the Physics Department.

1937 Establishing Oriental Languages (Hindi, Telugu, Sanskrit).

1942 The strength of the College increased to 1387. Initiating Hindi, French in Part III of the B.A. Re-introduction of Latin, Botany and Zoology in the B.Sc., B.Com. (Honours) & B.Sc (Honours) in Chemistry. A storey was added to the Jesuit Residence. Two hostel blocks each of 3 storeys completed. Construction of the Chemistry Block.

1945 Inception of B.Com.

1948 Starting of Department of Natural Sciences.
1949  Department publication of the first research paper in Zoology division of Department of Natural Sciences. Launching of B.A. French.

1950  Opening of Department of Botany. Commencement of the Silver Jubilee Celebrations on 27th October.

1950  Inauguration of the Bertram Hall.

1951  The student body numbered 1800.

1952  Two Hostel Blocks, new mess-rooms, a store cum dispensary and a temporary indoor games building were built. Construction of 40 houses in two quarters at the corners of the College for the non-teaching staff.


1958  Starting of new two year PG courses.


1968  Introducing German Language.

1969  Initiating B.A. Tamil.

1970  Opening of Sauliere Hall for Hostelites on 31st July.
1971  Starting of Loyola College (Evening). The strength of the College stood 2500. A floor was added to the Day Scholar’s Centre.
1972  Appointment of a full time Counselor.
1973  Commencement of Ignatian Institute for Career Development.
1975  Golden Jubilee Celebrations.
1978  The granting of Autonomy to the College.
1979  Establishment of Loyola Institute of Business Administration (LIBA)
1981  Initiation of M.Phil. Economics. Introduction of Dept. of Foreign Languages (French & German).
1984  Commencement M.Phil. in Chemistry and Mathematics.
1986  Celebration of the Diamond Jubilee on 9th October.
1991  Inception of the New Racine Research Centre in Mathematics.


1997  Celebration of the birth Centenary of Fr. Jerome D’Souza, S.J.


2001  Restructuring of the Syllabi - Choice Based Credit System introduced for UG.

2002  Inauguration of the LIFE Building.


2004  Restructuring of the Syllabi - Choice Based Credit System introduced for PG. Initiation of M.A. Medical Sociology, Biomedical Instrumentation Science. College with Potential for Excellence conferred by UGC.
2005  Dept. of Zoology renamed as the Dept. of Advanced Zoology and Biotechnology. Blessing of new buildings “School of Media Studies” and additional floor in J.D.Block. Opening Loyola - Kovalam Tsunami Rehabilitation Project and Kovalam community College, assisted by TATA Relief Committee - Introduction of MSW (SF) and M.Sc. Corporate Governance, L.S.B.U. Evening College becoming Autonomous.

2006  M.C.A. becoming Autonomous. Restructuring phase - II for UG implemented. Starting M.A. Media Arts, M.Phil History, and M.Sc. Industrial Biotechnology, Management and B.B.A., Lille Catholic University, France. Founding Resource Center for Differently Abled Students and School of Physical Sciences Reaccredited at A+ Level by NAAC


2008  Commencement of M.Sc., Food Chemistry and Food Processing. Renaming of LISOR as LISSTAR


2010  Conferment of SIRO (Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation) status by Dept. of Science and Technology, GOI.

2011  Initiating second section in B.Com. Corporate and M.A. Tamil Course Establishing e-resources for research and publications Institution of Ritu and Sanjiv Kaura Chair in Liberal Arts.

2012  New Restructuring of syllabus for UG & PG Effective for 2012 – 2013

2013  NAAC reaccreditation, 3rd cycle with 3.70 CGPA out of 4.00

2014  Conferred “College of Excellence” in February by UGC