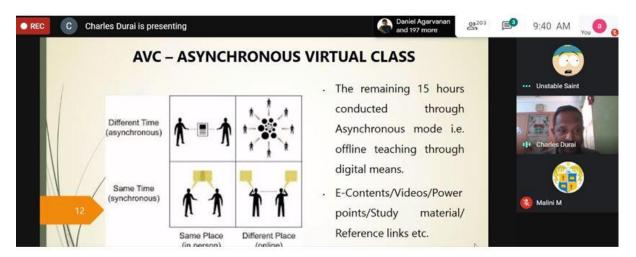
## LKK ORIENTATION PROGRAM 2020-2021:

PREPARING STUDENTS FOR ONLINE CLASSES

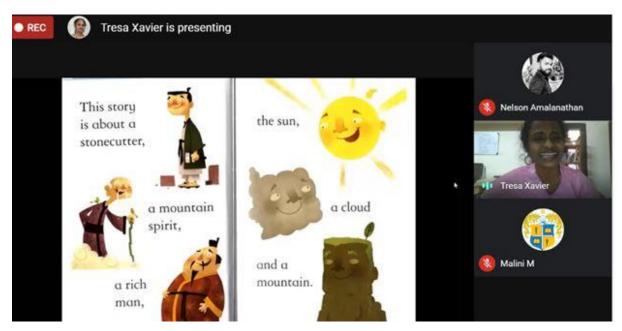


After almost five months of closure of all educational institutions, Loyola college started off its academic year 2020-21 with a five-day orientation program for all its students. Followed by this the department of DDU KAUSHAL Kendra organized a department orientation on 10 August 2020, for all its second and third-year students and faculty. The orientation was much needed by the students as well as staff, to get together, discuss the new pattern & norms, the new way of teaching and learning and the plans for this semester, before the usual online classes started.

The session began with offering the day to the Almighty with a prayer song sung by one of the students, followed by passages from various holy books. Ms. M. Malini, the Director of the department gave away the inaugural address thereby inviting everyone to the new academic semester and felicitations. Followed by this, Prof. Charles Durai talked about the new pattern and norms the college had formed and challenges of this new normal due to the pandemic and how to grow and adapt during these situations. The crux of his talk was how to look at and do things positively.

After a short break, the session was handed over to Prof. Tresa Xavier. Her talk started off with a positive and powerful presentation on how passion can make anyone and everyone win which was much needed during this pandemic where most felt lost. Subsequently she gave a very detailed instruction on the student requirements for the courses.

## ONLINE CLASSES: THE NEW NORMAL



The new normal of everything becoming digital and online is tough for both staff and students equally. Special speaker of the orientation talked Rev. Fr. Paulraj touched upon this reality. He called for collaboration for transformation. He also talked on how the department is a one single family, who work together as one and overcome these challenges. After his talk staff from digital journalism and animation gave away their thoughts, tips and what they expect from the students.

The orientation concluded with celebratory note, with a wish to the director who celebrated her birthday on the day. Prof. Joseph delivered the vote of thanks. The orientation was wholesome, it gave away clear instructions of online learning as well as the motivation to move forward with the new academic year.