My Dear Teachers and Students,

July 31 is celebrated as the feast of the Society of Jesus. The Society of Jesus was founded in 1540 by Saint Ignatius of Loyola and his companions with the approval of Pope Paul III. An energetic band of well-educated men who desired nothing more than to help others to find God in their lives.

The Society of Jesus is a Christian male religious congregation of the Catholic Church. The members are called Jesuits. Their names end with a title: S J, which abbreviates "Society of Jesus". Since its foundation, today, there are more than 16,000 - plus Jesuits in 112 countries in 6 continents belonging to approximately 80 provinces and regions. The Jesuits are well-known for their involvement in theology, education, missionary work, and publishing with a fervent focus on social justice and human rights.

The Jesuit mission is a mission of reconciliation, working so that women and men can be reconciled with God, with themselves, with each other, and with God's creation. Indeed, Jesuits are called on to go anywhere across the geographical and cultural frontiers where there is a need to work with Christ for the glory of God.

We are united in our diversity and increasingly global in our gaze. **"The world is our house,"** said the early Jesuit Jerome Nadal. The entire world becomes the object of our interest and concern.

St. Xavier's School is one of the finest schools in Bokaro Steel City administered by the Jesuits of Hazaribagh province committed to the educational and spiritual traditions of the Society of Jesus and the development of the whole person. Accordingly, St. Xavier's School inspires students to learn, lead, and serve in a diverse and changing world. We strive to live up to the ideals set by St. Ignatius and know they are integral to what Xavier's has become today. St. Xavier's School is a diverse community seeking God in all things and working to expand knowledge in serving humanity through justice, learning, and faith.

Have a blessed day and God Bless You.

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