

## **ST. ANN'S CONVENT, THIRUMALAYAMPALAYAM, COIMBATORE, TAMILNADU - 5th SEPTEMBER 1997**



### **A STRECK OF SPARKLED LOVE**

**“Those who leave everything in God’s hand will eventually see God’s hand in everything”**

Rev. Sr. Mildred Thambusamy the then Provincial Superior with the consent of Superior General Mother Franceschina approached Rt. Rev. Dr. Ambrose - the then Bishop of Coimbatore and obtained permission for the opening of a new Convent. The Sisters from the Community of Aruvankadu - after much prayer and discernment found a small house which was a cattle shed earlier. Sr.Jebamalai Chenchetty as Sister in- charge, Sr.Arokia Mary, Sr.Solly were sent to this rural locality to impart the holy love of God. During initial period the new community was affiliated to the Community of Aruvankadu.

All of us thank God for the successful completion of the dream as this was the first house for our new born Province in 1997. On 2nd June 1998 Sr. Guistina took charge as the first Superior of the Community and Sr.Arokia mary was put in charge of the school. The opening of kindergarten took place with 16 children on 15<sup>th</sup> June 1998. On 19<sup>th</sup> Jan 1998 Fr.Joseph Selvaraj – Parish Priest at Madukkarai –Coimbatore blessed the house and installed the Blessed Sacrament during the Solemn Eucharistic celebration.

Blessings of Christ was with us in making the kinder Garten into Higher Secondary School in 2009 and has an enormous progress in the field of education. At present the total strength of the school is 1100. The community is blessed with 24 acres of

land well protected by a concrete compound wall having St. Ann, Mother Mary and Infant Jesus Grottos, where the people of the locality, the staff and students persevere in prayer. There is a lovely green garden with 650 coconut trees, 300 plantain trees and few mango trees and the best feast for the eyes of everyone is the group of elegant and beautiful national birds dancing around. On 1<sup>st</sup> August 2005 the new house was blessed and inaugurated by Rt. Rev. Thomas Aquinas – Bishop of Coimbatore. The present Community is with six sisters working in school, dispensary and parish.



The school is well equipped and fully facilitated with huge open stage, science and arts labs, library, smart board class rooms, canteen etc. The most significant day in the annals of St. Ann's convent T.M.Palayam was the opening of a small dispensary which gave strength and solace for the sick and suffering people of the locality by Sr. Mini Antony a full-fledged nurse who treats the people with love and care started the medicare mission. The people flock to her for their wellness and wholeness. The sisters commit themselves in various sacred activities of the Parish. Liturgy preparation and pastoral works, catechism and choir, visiting the houses, etc. presently Sr. Lisha is the Animator of the Community.