

## DON BOSCO PAST PUPILS -ANDHERI UNIT

# ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024



- Andheri Past Pupils, with its presence for over four decades has been a vibrant unit.
- Over the years the unit has a formidable force where Seniority and youthful Exuberance is well displayed.
- The unit has won the Governor of Maharashtra Award due to the selfless efforts of its members who reached to others in need during the Covid 19 pandemic by distributing relief worth 65 crores during the pandemic.
- Truly the Andheri unit is living the dream of St Don Bosco and also helping to touch lives of everyone involved our outreach activities and to the world at large.
- We are 150 Life members & 50 active members.
- We meet every last Saturday of the month at 7.00pm an evening of bonding and discussing important matters.



#### Office Bearers.

- 1. Fr. Francisco Pereira Delegate
- 2. Alvin D'Silva President
- 3. Anand Gurav Vice President
- 4. Leon Travesso Secretary
- 5. Mcshane Periera- Treasurer
- 6. Chris Choury Joint Secretary
- 7. Placido D'Souza VP-Gex



#### Key highlights and activities from the past year 2023-24

- Unit AGM was conducted on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2023: Rev. Fr. Nobert D'Souza, Principal of Holy Cross High School, Kurla was the Chief guest on this occasion. Deserving students from the boarding and Evening study class were felicitated on this occasion. This concluded with a fellowship lunch.
- **Teachers day Special:** We expressed our gratitude to our loving teachers (Current & Retired) at various locations in Mumbai & elsewhere by sending them a bouquet and also cutting cake a 10kg with them at a school function.
- Don Bosco Birthday Feast Celebration with evening study basti kids.
  A simple get together with the kids of evening study class. A documentary on don bosco was showed to the children on struggles faced during early days displaying don boscos love to the poor and marginalized children
- Annual feast day dinner on the feast of our lady of VELANKANNI was celebrated on 08<sup>th</sup> Sept with our dear boarders and Salesian cooperators. Our frontline Covid-19 warrior Vishal Mendonca was felicitated for his selfless service. Provincial President Mr. Pravin Agarwal and Arthur Menezes, Past Pupils President Borivili unit were guest of honor on this occasion.
- Our first CSR joint outreach with the Canossian girls in association with our US based MNC CSR partner by Celebrating Corporate day of service with our boarders & Cannossian under privileged kids



- Book a Smile, the Charity initiative by our CSR partner Book Myshow :
  - Over 800 Kids across our salesian schools St Dominic Savio, Andheri (Boarders ), DonBosco , Oratory Kurla, Shelter Wadala, Oratory Boys Pune, Canossa Convent Andheri, Anmol Shelter Navi Mumbai, Holy Cross High School Kurla & and the underprivileged kids from Aarey enjoyed watching Sharukh Khan starrer movie, Jawan in various multiplex in Mumbai & Pune.
- **Diwali Party for Basti kids :** An Evening filled with dance, fun and Snacks with the evening study basti kids.
- Annual Christmas party for Basti kids and boarders & Lunch with workers.
- Lenten recollection: The lenten recollection was preached by Rev Fr Fransisco Pereira SDB on 17th March 2024 which was well attended by around 35 past pupils including family members. Holy Eucharist and confession was also part of the Lenten recollection.
- Farewell to our dear Confreres: We bid a fond farewell with full house to Fr.Shekhar Das & Fr. Kiran Salve, expressing our gratitude for their selfless & valuable service to our institution.
- Unit Annual picnic at Boscowadi, Uttan 27th and 28th April 2024
- Birthday Celebrations of our Confreres: We joyfully come together to express our love and gratitude for our confreres on their birthdays.



### **Future Plans:**

- Educational support for Underprivileged kids
- Focus on getting more Juniors in the Past Pupils movement.