

Reaching The Unreached

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Happenings of May 2026

Dear Well-wishers,

Greetings from RTU. As usual, we have had a busy month with the State Board exam results for our higher secondary school students and the admission of new children ready for the start of the new school year. In the meantime, we have been getting everything ready to provide textbooks, notebooks, stationery, uniforms, and bags to all of our students.



Celebrating the 101st Birthday of Br James Kimpton



On 23rd May, we joyfully celebrated the 101st birthday of our beloved founder, Brother James Kimpton. The morning began with a moving prayer service led by the education department staff to honour his memory and thank him for his life's work. A meaningful highlight of the morning was when Mr Keba, a staff member who worked closely with Brother James, shared his personal experiences and inspiring memories. The celebration continued with a cake-cutting ceremony presided over by Fr Antony, alongside the children of Anbu Illam Children's Village and the entire RTU staff team. To share this joy with the wider community, a special festive noon meal was distributed to 500 beneficiaries. The entire day was a wonderful success, filled with gratitude and happiness, beautifully reflecting the lasting impact of our founder's vision.

21st RTU alumni reunion



The 21st RTU alumni reunion was organised on 24th May, and it was a heartwarming and productive event, uniting around 100 former children in our care and their families. The event highlighted the strong, lifelong bonds within the RTU community and showed everyone's inspiring dedication to supporting RTU's future. Fr Antony presided over the reunion and a discussion was held about sharing Brother James's life and the activities of RTU to the world through social media.



Case Study

New arrival



Nine-year-old Santhosh has faced a lot of hardships from a very young age. He comes from a small village near Vadipatti in the Madurai district. Tragically, when he was only six months old, his mother lost her life to suicide because of difficult family problems. Since he was a baby, his elderly grandparents have looked after him. His father is physically challenged and can only find occasional work as a painter, making it impossible for him to care for his son. As the grandparents grew older and weaker, they found it too difficult to look after Santhosh and give him the future he deserves. So, they approached RTU. Seeing the family's deeply painful situation, we welcomed Santhosh into Sirumalar Children's Village. He is now safe, happy, and receiving healthy food every day. In June, he will start a bright new chapter in the 4th Standard at St Peter's Primary School, where he will get a good education in a loving environment.

Summer Camp for the Children

On 5th May, the children of Anbu Illam Children's Village took part in a one-day summer camp organised by the Theni District Social Welfare Department for all regional Child Care Institutions. Held at a Government Secondary School in Lakshmipuram, Periyakulam, the camp offered an enriching environment where the children took part in a variety of programmes including drawing, Silambattam (traditional Indian martial art stick fight), singing, and elocution, which boosted their confidence and creativity.

RTU's Summer Camp



We also arranged a Summer Camp for the children who stay in our care all year round as they have no relatives to return to, filling their holidays with joy, creativity, and active learning. The camp kicked off with high-energy Zumba dance sessions that got everyone moving and smiling. The children also did a variety of arts and crafts, proudly making Jimmiki jewellery, Tangram designs, bead dream catchers, ice stick art, embroidery, and greeting cards, alongside beautiful drawings made with colour buds. They also challenged their minds with fun language and logic puzzles, including Boggle, Tamil word games, "Find the Secret Code" and "Code Breaker". A truly special highlight was the involvement of the foster mothers, who joined the fun in lively games like "Find the Culprit" and a trust-building "Blind Ramp Walk" with the children. The entire event concluded beautifully with an Art Exhibition that proudly displayed all the children's handmade creations. It was a highly successful camp where every child participated with great interest and left with bright smiles and wonderful summer memories.

Children's outing to Rameswaram



To celebrate the end of Summer Camp, a special one-day outing was arranged for the children and the foster mothers. After an early but pleasant drive past Sivagangai and Ramanathapuram, they arrived in Rameshwaram by 8 am to a welcoming, gentle drizzle. Their

first stop was Dhanushkodi Beach, where the calm Bay of Bengal meets the deep blue Indian Ocean. Here, many of the children saw the sea for the very first time, laughing and playing happily in the waves. After a nice breakfast on the shore, they visited the Holy Ramanathaswamy Temple and then moved on to the inspiring Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Memorial, where the children marvelled at rocket models, space programs, and the former President's personal belongings. Next, they walked the full 3 km across the historic Pamban Bridge, enjoying the salty sea air, learning how local fish is exported, and praising the amazing engineering of the railway track built right over the sea. Finally, the wonderful day wrapped up

at Ariyaman Beach, where the children relaxed by the water with snacks, followed by a special hotel dinner that made the perfect end to a beautiful adventure.

12th Public exam result

RTU's St Peter's Higher Secondary school is proud to announce that our 12th standard students have achieved an impressive 96% pass rate in the State Board public exams announced on 8th May 2026. Out of the 82 students who took the exams, 79 students have successfully passed. Monika Sree, who secured the first rank with 522/600, followed by Mahalakshmi with 518/600, and Dharsan with 509/600. Mahalakshmi and Uvadharani secured 100% in their accountancy subject.



10th Public exam result



The 10th public exam result was announced on 20th May and 100% of the students passed. Harish and Keerthi secured 487/500 and 100% marks in their science subjects followed by Abirani with 485/500, and Monika with 470/500.

We are extremely delighted by these results, which represent a significant milestone for our school. Our heartfelt praises go to the students for their dedication, and to our teachers, whose expert mentorship has been instrumental. This success perfectly encapsulates the high standards to which we all aspire. We are grateful to the staff and teachers for their hard work in supporting our students' success.

Home Sponsorship Programme

This month, we received the good news of the 10th and 12th public examination results for the students we support through our Home Sponsorship programme. In the 12th public exams, 21 students appeared and 19 passed, with Angela Mercy securing a brilliant 532/600, Hemanth achieving a great score of 475/600, and our third top performer following closely with 447/600. For the 10th public exams, we achieved a proud 100% pass rate, as all 10 students who appeared successfully passed their exams, led by Yesmidha with 382/500, Akilesh Kumar with 363/500, and Sarojini Devi with 328/500. We heartily appreciate all our students for this great achievement and wish them a very bright and successful future.



In a celebration of resilience and the transformative power of education, the remarkable exam results the students achieved are a culmination of their dedication and the unwavering support of the entire RTU family, with a special thanks to you. Your generosity has allowed us to award bursaries and provide vital resources, leading to a significant improvement in overall grades. As a result, the futures of many underprivileged youngsters have been brightened. With your continued support, we can empower even more bright minds and their families. Together, let's make a real difference by joining your loving hands as you remain an integral part of the RTU family.

Yours fraternally,
Fr J Antony Paulsamy, OFM Cap.
Director