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Happy Teachers' Day

Dear Faculty Members,

Wish you all a happy teachers' day. As teachers, we fondly remember our own teachers who inspired us and who moulded us; we gratefully think of them as some of them continue to be our mentors; we very often acknowledge their precious moments with us guiding us; and we think of the many moments we try to imitate them.

Today we try to reflect, in our teaching, those great men and women who showed us the way to become teachers. As we are proud to be teachers in whose hands the future of hundreds of our students are there, let us rededicate ourselves to the noble goal of forming our students as men and women who would rewrite the history of our nation and perhaps of the world for the better.

Nelson Mandela would put it: "Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world". As teachers let us become that change we want to bring in; and let us realize that we are creators, in the sense, we practice the art of helping our students discover the reality and mission for each one. In this noble profession, a teacher opens the mind and touches the heart of each student in making him/her leader for the future. Thus, a teacher reaches the infinity as no one could predict how far the influence of a teacher goes.

The Jesuit Administration in Loyola Campus thanks each and every one of you for your wonderful and committed service to teaching. Keep up the good work and constantly strive to do ever better.

As for me, I am at Boston College (USA) working on my ongoing research project – I am trying to find a connection or connectivity between the 'consciousness' evolved from science and the 'soul' emanating from religion. I shall be back in Loyola in a few days' time - on 20Sep2019.

With kind regards,
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