

## **Report on Book Exhibition “ Bibliotheca 2026 ”**

**Date:** 3 February 2026

**Venue:** College Library

**Organisers:** College Library & Department of English

**Coordinator:** Fr. Tijomon P. Issac, College Librarian

The **College Library**, in collaboration with the **Department of English**, successfully organised a **one-day Book Exhibition “Bibliotheca 2026”** on **3rd February 2026** at the College Library. The programme was designed to encourage reading habits, promote literary appreciation, and foster an intellectually stimulating academic environment among students.

The exhibition showcased a **diverse collection of English Literature books**, including classical and contemporary works, literary criticism, and reference materials. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from **students of various departments of the college**, along with **students from nearby schools**, making it a lively and inclusive academic initiative.

The **inaugural session** of the Book Exhibition was formally inaugurated by **Very Rev. Fr. Philip Vaikathukaran**, the College Manager. The function was presided over by the **College Principal, Prof. Dr. Indulal G.**, who, in his presidential address, emphasised the vital role of libraries and literature in shaping the intellectual, moral, and ethical values of learners.

The programme was further enriched by **felicitations** from **Dr. Santy Joseph, Vice Principal, Dr. Jem Cherian, Head of the Department of English**, and **Sri. Sharan R., Student Representative**. The speakers encouraged students to cultivate a lifelong love for books and highlighted the relevance of reading in personal and academic growth.

A major highlight of the event was the **Book Talk Programme** conducted by **Ms. Cybina Thomas, Assistant Professor, Department of English**. Her insightful session on literary reading and interpretation inspired students to explore books beyond the confines of their prescribed curriculum.

In addition to the exhibition, **various competitions related to books and literature** were organised, which ensured active student engagement and added an interactive dimension to the programme.

The Book Exhibition concluded successfully with **overwhelmingly positive feedback** from participants. The event significantly contributed to strengthening the reading culture on campus and reaffirmed the **library’s role as a central hub of academic and intellectual activity**.

