

September 5, 2020
TEACHERS' DAY & FEAST OF ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA



Bangalore: September 5 is a red-letter day in the Indian annals, on which we celebrate the Teachers' Day, in honour of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, a philosopher and a teacher par excellence, and the feast of St. Teresa of Calcutta, an apostle of love, who died on September 05, 1997.

A teacher/guru is one who dispels darkness from the mind of the pupils and thus leads them through the right path to acquire *Brahmavidya* (the knowledge of Brahman/God). Saint Teresa was a teacher with a difference, who employed the pedagogy of the heart. Mother Teresa said: "Let no one feel unwanted, let us love all." Indeed, it is and it will be a great learning experience, and a great 'mantra' of teaching!

On this occasion, may I pay our humble tribute to our respected teachers - parents, rectors, masters, colleagues, students - who made us what we are today, and who accompany us in our making. May I wish 'Happy Teachers' Day', to all our teachers (gurus) of the educational institutions, and congratulate them for the invaluable service they render in 'dispelling' our inner darkness. May God bless them all!

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