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Seated from left: Assistant Physio/Trainer and Masseur Harsha Prabath Perera, First XI Assistant Coach Thushara Maduhanka, Head Coach Nalin Wijesinghe, Master-in-Charge – Senior and Junior Priyadarshana Cooray, Captain Oween Salgado, Rector Rev. Fr. Rohitha Rodrigo, Priest-in-Charge – Cricket Rev. Fr. Praveen Wijesekara, Vice Captain Lashmika Perera, Dilana Damsara, Second XI Master-in-Charge Rohan Fernando, and Second XI Coach Dinuka D. Godakanda
Second row, standing from left: Dinsara Rathnaweera, Dineth De Silva, Tharin Senvidu, Nathan David, Hiruka Silva, Thareen Sanketh, Virul Amarapala, Yathindra Jayaweera, Salith Gallage, and Raphael Hettige
Third row, standing from left: Jason Fernando, Joshua Sebastian, Savi Fernando, Ethan Ransilige, Asadisa De Silva, Sadeesha Kariyawasam, and Enosh Peterson

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Seated from left: First XI Assistant Coach Lahiru Perera, First XI Head Coach Lakmal De Silva, First XI Master-in-Charge Asiri Caldera, Captain Kenath Liyanage, Vice Rector Rev. Fr. Priyan Tissera, Rector Rev. Fr. Ranjith Andradi, Prefect of Games Rev. Fr. Samesh Anthony, Vice Captain Abhishek Jayaweera, Yenula Dewthusa, Second XI Master-in-Charge Sanjeewa Fernando, First XI Assistant Coach Miranga Wickramage, and Second XI Assistant Coach Pradeep Munasinghe
Standing from left: Lesitha Wijethunga, Dihen De Silva, Nimthaka Goonewardena, Senuja Wekunagoda, Yenula Danthanarayana, Ameesha Guruge, Maanasa Madubashana, Dunick Perera, Nushan Perera, Mario Suraweera, Kavith Fernando, Demion De Silva, Rishma Amarasinghe, and Aveesha Samash

91st 'Battle of the Saints' unfolds from 3-5 April

The 91st 'Battle of the Saints' rivalry is set to see its first-ever three-day clash this year as the St. Joseph's College vs. St. Peter's College big match will be battled out at the SSC on 3, 4, and 5 April, with the coveted Rev. Fr. Maurice J. Le Goc Trophy at stake.

Meanwhile, the 51st Joe-Pete limited-over encounter for the Rev. Fr. Peter A. Pillai Memorial Shield will take place on 26 April at the SSC.

Leading the charge for St. Joseph's College this year is Kenath Liyanage, while the Peterite squad will take the field under the leadership of Oween Salgado.

With St. Joseph's College leading the series with 12 victories – their last triumph being in 2008 under Ruwantha Fernandopulle – and St. Peter's College boasting 10 wins, including their 2016 success under Vinu Mohotty, the Rev. Fr. Maurice J. Le Goc Trophy remains a symbol of cricketing supremacy.

Sixty-seven encounters have ended in draws, underscoring the rich and competitive history of this legendary rivalry. The 2024 edition, contested as a two-day affair, concluded in a draw.

Beyond the traditional battle, the highly anticipated Josephian-Peterite limited-over clash for the Rev. Fr. Peter A. Pillai Memorial Shield is scheduled for the end of April.

In the one-day format, St. Joseph's lead with 25 wins compared to 22 for St. Peter's, with two matches yielding no result and one ending in a tie. In last year's edition, St. Peter's emerged victorious, reclaiming the Rev. Fr. Peter A. Pillai Memorial Shield with a thrilling three-wicket win in the 50th annual encounter.

Both schools have a rich legacy of producing cricketing icons who have represented Sri Lanka on the international stage.

Josephian alumni include Dimuth Karunaratne, Angelo Mathews, Chaminda Vaas, Dunith Wellalage, Shevon Daniel, Thisara Perera, Ashley de Silva, Michael Vandort, Roshen Silva, Priyamal Perera, and Sadeera Samarawickrama.

Meanwhile, St. Peter's College has nurtured stars like Roy Dias, Rumesh Ratnayake, Vinothen John, Amal Silva, Russel Arnold, Kaushal Lokuarachchi, Malinda Warnapura, Angelo Perera, Janith Liyanage, and Dushan Hemantha.

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ST. PETER'S COLLEGE TEAM PROFILE



Oween Salgado (Captain)
Batting style: Left hand



Lashmika Perera (Vice Captain)
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off break



Virul Amarapala
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium-fast



Asadisa De Silva
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off break



Dilana Damsara
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm leg break



Joshua Sebastian
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium fast



Ethan Ransilige
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium fast



Tharin Senvidu
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Left-arm orthodox



Thareen Sanketh
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm leg break



Dinsara Rathnaweera
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm leg break



Hiruka Silva
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off break



Sadeesha Kariyawasam
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium fast



Raphael Hettige
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off break



Yathindra Jayaweera
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Left-arm orthodox



Savi Fernando
Playing role: Wicket-keeper
Batting style: Right hand



Jason Fernando
Playing role: Wicket-keeper
Batting style: Left hand



Enosh Peterson
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off break



Nathan David
Playing role: Wicket-keeper
Batting style: Right hand



Dineth De Silva
Playing role: Wicket-keeper
Batting style: Right hand



Salith Gallage
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off break

ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE TEAM PROFILE



Kenath Liyanage (Captain)
Playing role: Batsman, wicket-keeper
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Abishek Jayaweera (Vice Captain)
Playing role: Batsman
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Yenula Dewthusa
Playing role: All-rounder
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Left-arm orthodox



Maanasa Madubashana
Playing role: All-rounder
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium-fast



Rishma Amarasinghe
Playing role: Batsman, wicket-keeper
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Dunick Perera
Playing role: All-rounder
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium-fast



Senuja Wekunagoda
Playing role: Batsman
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Aveesha Samash
Playing role: Batsman
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Demion De Silva
Playing role: Bowler
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Left-arm orthodox



Kavith Fernando
Playing role: Batsman, wicket-keeper
Batting style: Right hand



Dihen De Silva
Playing role: Batsman
Batting style: Right hand



Nushan Perera
Playing role: Bowler
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Yenula Danthanarayana
Playing role: All-rounder
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm leg spin



Mario Suraweera
Playing role: Bowler
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Right-arm off spin



Nimthaka Goonewardena
Playing role: All-rounder
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm medium-fast



Lesitha Wijethunga
Playing role: Bowler
Batting style: Right hand
Bowling style: Left-arm orthodox



Ameesha Guruge
Playing role: Bowler
Batting style: Left hand
Bowling style: Right-arm leg spin