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FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

ASSUMPTION OF MARY



We the Catholics around the world mark the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, commemorating the end of her earthly life and assumption into Heaven. The dogma of the Assumption of Mary - also called the "Dormition of Mary" in the Eastern Churches - has its roots in the early centuries of the Church. The Catholic Church teaches that when Mary ended her earthly life, God assumed her, body and soul

into heaven. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary The teaching is aptly summarized in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 974: The Most Blessed Virgin Mary, when the course of her earthly life was completed, was taken up ["assumed"] body and soul into the glory of heaven, where she already shares in the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of His Body

The belief in the Assumption of Mary was a widely-held tradition, and a frequent meditation in the writings of saints throughout the centuries. However it was not defined officially until the past century. In 1950, Pope Pius XII made an infallible, ex-cathedra statement in the Apostolic Constitution *Munificentissimus Deus* officially defining the dogma of the Assumption.

"By the authority of our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, and by our own authority, we pronounce, declare, and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory," the pope wrote. What's also notable about the dogma, he added, is that it "uses the passive tense," emphasizing that Mary did not ascend into heaven on her own power, as Christ did, but was raised into heaven by God's grace.

In defining the Assumption, Pope Pius XII refers to the other three Marian dogmas: Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity, and Mother of God. This illustrates the point that the Assumption is intimately connected to other Marian doctrines, especially Mother of God and Immaculate Conception. There is even a stronger connection between the Assumption and the Immaculate Conception. The key Scripture verse is Genesis 3:15, in which the Lord says that He will put enmity between Satan and the "woman," who is identified as the Mother

of the Redeemer. "Enmity" means "total opposition." This verse foreshadows Mary's participation in the absolute victory of her seed (Jesus) over Satan. According to St. Paul, the consequences of Satan's influence on the human race are twofold: sin and death (e.g., Romans 5:21; 6:16; 6:23; 8:2; Galatians 6:7-8; Hebrews 2:14-15). Therefore, Mary, who shared in her Son's victory over Satan, would have to be saved from both sin and the corruption of death. Thus, her enmity, or "total opposition" toward the devil. Our Lady could not have experienced the consequences of original sin. So Mary also triumphed over the bodily corruption of death in her glorious Assumption.

Greg Kandra says that the feast marks the end of Mary's earthly story - and the beginning of one that continues, to this day, in heaven. She becomes, for all time, what Elizabeth says in her first word of greeting: "Blessed." But though she left this world, Mary is not removed from us. Her life is closely entwined with ours. All of us, like Mary, are on a journey. All of us are traveling to places we may not understand, to destinations we cannot see. This is life. But we ask Mary to help guide us on our way.

The road is long. The journey isn't easy. We pray to have the trust in God that we need to travel whatever road we must take - just as Mary did. And we pray, too, that one day our journeying will lead us to meet her face to face - in that place prepared for her, that destination that became her home, and where she waits for us, with a mother's love and a mother's hope.

Prayerful festal greetings to all

May God Bless You All
Fr. Suni Padinjarekkara

HOLY MASS, NIGHT VIGIL & NOVENA TIMINGS

Holy Mass:

Monday - Friday | 7 PM. Saturday | 9:30 AM.

Sunday | 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM (English), 11:30 AM

Night Vigil:

First Off Weekend Friday of the Month | 8 PM. to Midnight

Adoration Every Friday | 8 AM - 7 PM.

Monday - Friday | 6-7 PM. Saturday | 8:30 - 9:30 AM.

Novenas :

St. Antony Tuesday | After 7 PM. Mass **St. Jude** Thursday | After 7 PM. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Succor Saturday | After 9:30 AM. Mass



August 5 Sunday

SUNDAY READINGS: By Holy Family Koodarayogam

	7:30 AM	9:00 AM	11:30AM
First Reading:	Is 28: 14-22		
Second Reading:	2Cor 12:14-21		
Holy Gospel:	Lk 16:19-31		



August 12 Sunday

First Reading:	Is 29:19-24		
Second Reading:	1Thess 2:1-12		
Holy Gospel:	Lk 17:11-19		

BIBLE KALOLSAVAM

2018

FORANE LEVEL COMPETITION

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On October 20th

The following are the proposed items to be conducted during Bible Kalolsavam:

GROUP - I (Boys & Girls from 1st grade to 4th grade)
 (a) Single Song (b) Story telling (d) Devotional dance group
 (e) Fancy Dress

GROUP - II (Boys & Girls from 5th grade to 8th grade)
 (a) Single Song (b) Elocution
 (c) Devotional dance group (d) Fancy dress
 (e) Essay Writing (f) Poem Writing (g) Story Writing

GROUP - III (Boys & Girls from 9th to 12th grade)
 (a) Single Song (b) Elocution
 (c) Devotional Dance group (d) Fancy dress
 (e) Essay Writing (f) Poem Writing (g) Story Writing

GROUP - IV (Men & Women from age 18 years to 25 years)
 (a) Single Song (b) Elocution
 (c) Devotional Dance group (d) Fancy Dress

(e) Essay Writing (f) Poem Writing
 (g) Story Writing

GROUP - V (Men & Women from age 26years to 59 years)
 (a) Single Song (b) Elocution (c) Devotional Dance group
 (d) Fancy dress(e) Essay Writing(f) Poem Writing(g) Story Writing

GROUP - VI (Men and Women from age 60 and UP)
 (a) Nadavili for Men (b) Vanakkamasa Pattukal for Women

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PAST CHURCH EVENTS



Br. Joseph Thachara
Received *Karoya Pattam*
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CCD ANNOUNCEMENTS



CCD REGISTRATION
AUGUST 5th-18th

AUGUST 19th
FIRST DAY OF CCD CLASS



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Sunday collections	\$ 991.00

July 29

Annual contributions	\$ 2,430.00
Building Fund	\$ 3,300.00
Sunday collections	\$ 975.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 05 Sunday

Meeting of the office bearers of all Koodarayogams at 10 am.

August 05-Sunday

St Thomas Koodarayogam in the residence of **Charles Aickareth** at 6 pm.

August 12, Sunday

St Micheal's Koodarayogam in the residence of **Anish Chamakalayil** at 7 pm.



Sunday, August 19th
Feast of St. Pious & St. Augustine

August 15th,
Assumption of St. Mary



October 26 - 29th CHURCH MAIN THIRUNNAL
(Conducted By St. Anns Koodarayogam)

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