

St.Mary's Knanaya Catholic Forane Church, Houston
6400 W.Fuqua Rd, Missouri City, TX 77489

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



The Sacrament of Holy Communion is the third of the Sacraments of Initiation. The Church urges us to receive Communion frequently (even daily, if possible), it is called a sacrament of initiation because, like Baptism and Confirmation, it brings us into the fullness of our life in Christ. In Holy Communion, we are eating the True Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, without which "you shall not have life in you" (John 6:53).

The fruits of Holy Communion

CCC says the following fruits of Holy Communion

Holy Communion augments our union with Christ. The principal fruit of receiving the Eucharist in Holy Communion is an intimate union with Christ Jesus. Indeed, the Lord said: "He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him." Life in Christ has its foundation in the Eucharistic banquet: "As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so he who eats me will live because of me. What material food produces in our bodily life, Holy Communion wonderfully achieves in our spiritual life. Communion with the flesh of the risen Christ, a flesh "given life and giving life through the Holy Spirit," preserves, increases, and renews the life of grace received at Baptism. This growth in Christian life needs the nourishment of Eucharistic Communion, the bread for our pilgrimage until the moment of death, when it will be given to us as viaticum. Holy Communion separates us from sin. The body of Christ we receive in Holy Communion is "given up for us," and the blood we drink "shed for the many for the forgiveness of sins." For this reason the Eucharist cannot unite us to Christ without at the same time cleansing us from past sins and preserving us from future sins.

As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so the Eucharist strengthens our charity, which tends to be weakened in daily life; and this living charity wipes away venial sins. By giving himself to us Christ revives our love and enables us to break our disordered attachments to creatures and root ourselves in him. By the same charity that it enkindles in us, the Eucharist preserves us from future mortal sins. The more we share the life of Christ and progress in his friendship, the more difficult it is to break away from him by mortal sin.

The unity of the Mystical Body: the Eucharist makes the Church. Those who receive the Eucharist are united more closely to Christ. Through it Christ unites them to all the faithful in one body - the Church. Communion renews, strengthens, and deepens this incorporation into the Church, already achieved by Baptism. In Baptism we have been called to form but one body. The Eucharist fulfills this call: "The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread:

The Eucharist commits us to the poor. To receive in truth the Body and Blood of Christ given up for us, we must recognize Christ in the poorest, his brethren:

You have tasted the Blood of the Lord, yet you do not recognize your brother, . . . You dishonor this table when you do not judge worthy of sharing your food someone judged worthy to take part in this meal. . . . God freed you from all your sins and invited you here, but you have not become more merciful.

The Eucharist and the unity of Christians. Before the greatness of this mystery St. Augustine exclaims, "O sacrament of devotion! O sign of unity! O bond of charity!" The more painful the experience of the divisions in the Church which break the common participation in the table of the Lord, the more urgent are our prayers to the Lord that the time of complete unity among all who believe in him may return.

Ecclesial communities derived from the Reformation and separated from the Catholic Church, "have not preserved the proper reality of the Eucharistic mystery in its fullness, especially because of the absence of the sacrament of Holy Orders. It is for this reason that, for the Catholic Church, Eucharistic intercommunion with these communities is not possible. However these ecclesial communities, "when they commemorate the Lord's death and resurrection in the Holy Supper . . . profess that it signifies life in communion with Christ and await his coming in glory.

When, in the Ordinary's judgment, a grave necessity arises, Catholic ministers may give the sacraments of Eucharist, Penance, and Anointing of the Sick to other Christians not in full communion with the Catholic Church, who ask for them of their own will, provided they give evidence of holding the Catholic faith regarding these sacraments and possess the required dispositions.

Prayerful wishes to our little angels who are going to receive Jesus Christ our God.

Mother's Day

"Mothers never retire, no matter how old her children are she is always a Mom, always willing to encourage and help her children in any way she can!"

Catherine Pulsifer

You are mother because your love, Dedication, Sufferings, Patience, Commitment, Prayer etc are always wonder to us

Mother's day Greetings to all our Ammas

May God Bless You All
Fr.Suni Padinjarekara

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 | 9 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 Succour

Saturday | After 9:30 AM. Mass



May 12

Sunday Readings: May 2019 / Ave Maria & St. Anns

May 19

7:30 AM 9:00 AM 11:30AM

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First Reading: Is 49:13-23

First Reading: Is 56:1-7

Second Reading: Eph 2:1-7

Second Reading: Eph 1:3-14

Holy Gospel: Jn 16:16-24

Holy Gospel: Jn 14:1-14



BIBLE QUIZ # 17

1. What is the meaning of the word "Massah"?

2. How many years did Naomi and her children live in Moab?

3. Which prophet travel 40 days and 40 nights to the mountain of God, Horeb?

4. "Will you be exalted to heaven? You will go down to the netherworld." Who?

5. How did Saul die?

Please refer to the POC Bible and the New American Bible only.

6. Wisdom is fairer than _____

7. How old was Moses when he spoke to the Pharaoh?

8. Who wrote the last chapter of Baruch?

9. Which archangel is mentioned in the letter of Jude? to the Colossians?

10. Who is the beloved physician mentioned by Paul in his letter to the Colossians?

Name of the contestant

Family Name

Phone #

Quiz # 16

Selected winner: Alina Cheruvil

Other Winners

Tessy Siby Mecheril
Elsy Neettukattu
Sherly Stany & Divya Stany -
Cheruthanniyil

Ancin & Alphonse Jose Thannichuvattil
Simon Thomas Karickal
Flora Philin Kudakasseriyil
Beenamol Maruthachickal

Bible Quiz # 16 Correct Answers.

1. When his word comes to pass
2. Berechiah
3. Moses
4. It is God's throne
5. Luke
6. Field of blood
7. Of the heart
8. 430 years
9. The Lord was with him
10. Tamar

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 12, Sunday

Feast of Angel Michle

Mother's Day celebration after all masses.
Parish council meeting at 10 am

St. Joseph Koodarayogam at the residence of **Jijo Polackal** at 5 pm.
Holy Family Koodarayogam at the residence of **Philip Kambakalunkal** at 7 pm.

May 19, Sunday

St. Xaviour's Koodarayogam at the residence of **Joy Kavalackal** at 5 pm.
St. Christopher Koodarayogam at the residence of **Sabu Manthuruthiyil** at 7 pm.

Pre-Marriage Course: On May 17, 18 & 19 in Dallas

RETREAT lead by Bro. Sabu Aruthottiyil July 19, 20, 21

CCD FEST / RAFFLE WINNERS

1st- Winning Number - 162391 2nd winner - Jimmy Chakiriyamthadathil
3rd Winner- George & Lisa Kunjammattil

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IMAGES FROM CCD FEST



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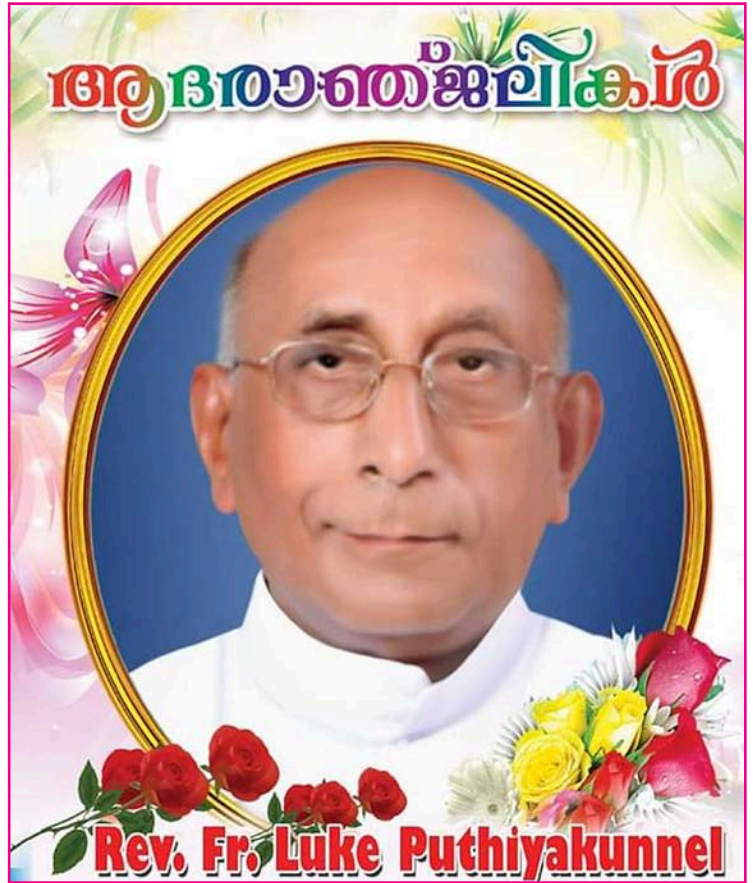
CONTRIBUTIONS & OFFERINGS

April 28

Annual contributions	\$ 0000.00
Building Fund	\$ 200.00
Sunday collections	\$ 1572.00

May 5

Annual contributions	\$ 500.00
Building Fund	\$ 750.00
Sunday collections	\$ 1601.00



Rev. Fr. Luke Puthiyakunnel

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