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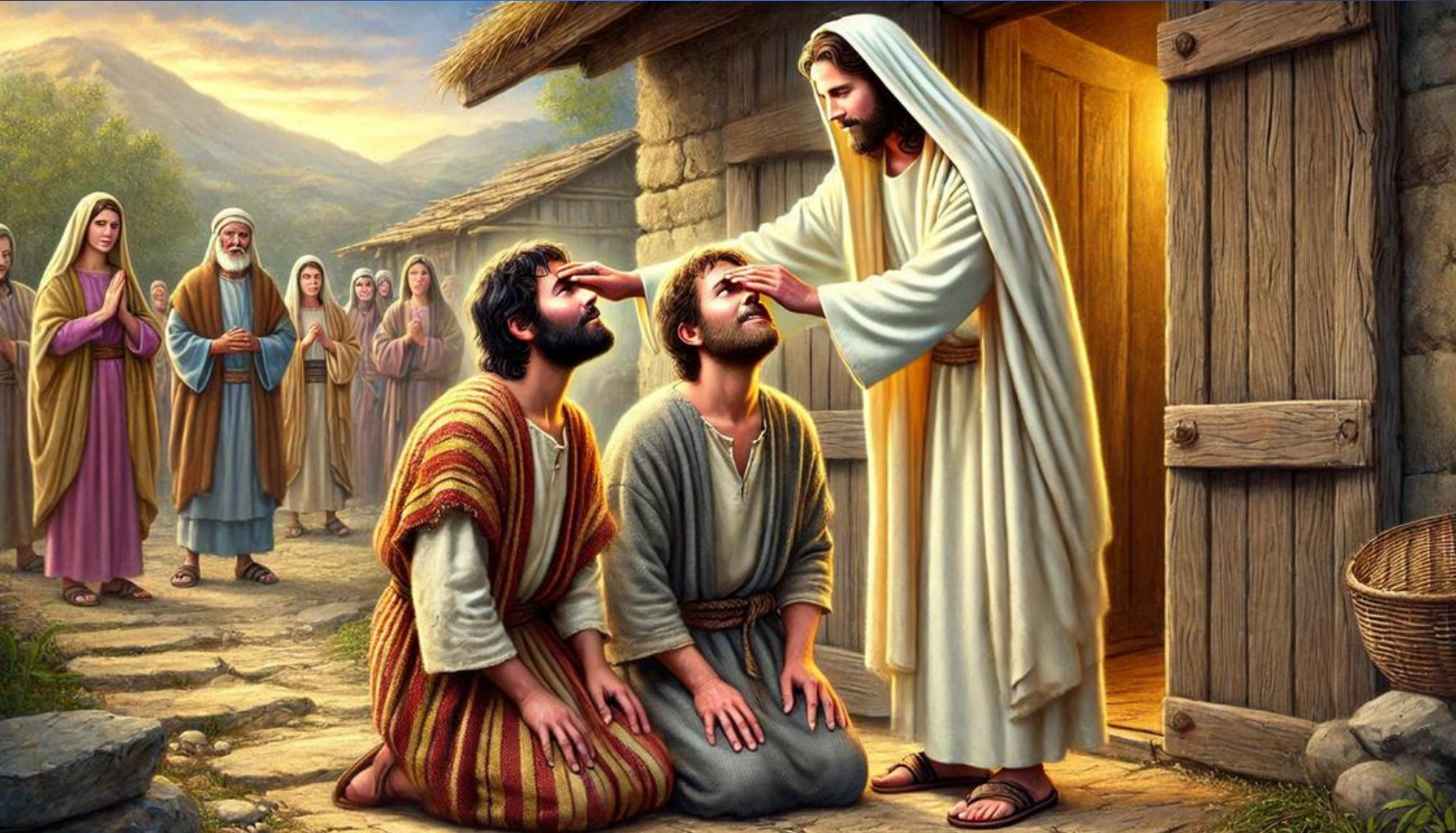
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WEEKLY UPDATES

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

◆ 7:30 AM MALAYALAM MASS

◆ 9:30 AM ENGLISH MASS

◆ 11:30 AM MALAYALAM SOLEMN MASS

🔍 Readings ×

Sunday June 23, 2024

Sixth Sunday of the Apostles

- Lev 8:1-13 Anointing of Aaron and his sons
- Isa 6:1-8 Here I am, send me
- 1 Cor 1:26-31 God's call
- Mt 9:27-38 Pray to the Lord of the harvest

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The Healing Touch of Faith and Compassion

Dear Parishioners,

In this week's Gospel reading from Matthew 9:27-38, we encounter the profound healing ministry of Jesus, which offers us valuable lessons in faith and compassion.

The Healing of Two Blind Men

As Jesus was traveling, two blind men followed Him, crying out, "Son of David, have pity on us!" Their plea was a profound expression of faith, recognizing Jesus as the Messiah. When they caught up with Jesus, He asked them, "Do you believe that I am able to do what you want?" Their response, "We do, Lord!" was a testament to their unwavering faith. Jesus then touched their eyes and said, "As you have believed, so let it be." Their sight was restored instantly.

This miracle highlights the power of faith in our lives. When we approach Jesus with sincere faith, believing in His power to transform our lives, miracles can happen. The blind men's faith led to their healing, reminding us to trust in the Lord wholeheartedly.

The Healing of a Mute Person

Immediately after, Jesus encountered a man who was mute due to demonic possession. Jesus drove out the demon, and the man began to speak. The crowds were amazed, proclaiming, "Nothing like this has ever been seen in Israel." Yet, the Pharisees, in their skepticism, attributed Jesus' power to the head demon.

This miracle demonstrates Jesus' authority over evil and His compassion for those suffering. It calls us to recognize His divine power and to trust in His ability to deliver us from any form of bondage or affliction.

The Compassion of Jesus

Jesus continued His ministry, teaching in synagogues, proclaiming the good news, and healing every disease and sickness. When He saw the crowds, He was moved with pity, seeing them as harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. His heart was filled with compassion.

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He then turned to His disciples and said, "The harvest is abundant but the workers are few. Ask the master of the harvest therefore to send workers to gather his harvest." This statement is a call to all of us. The world is in desperate need of healing, guidance, and compassion. As followers of Christ, we are called to be His workers, spreading His love and mercy to those around us.

A Story of Faith and Compassion

Let me share a story that mirrors the lessons from this Gospel passage. A few years ago, a young boy named Samuel, who was born blind, lived in a small village. Despite his disability, Samuel's faith in God was unwavering. He often prayed, believing that one day he would see the beauty of the world.

One day, a traveling missionary visited the village. Hearing about Samuel's faith, he went to meet the boy. Samuel's first words to him were, "Do you believe that God can make me see?" The missionary, moved by Samuel's faith, prayed with him fervently. To everyone's astonishment, Samuel's sight was miraculously restored.

Samuel's story spread throughout the village, and many came to believe in the power of faith and prayer. This miracle transformed the village, leading many to a deeper relationship with God.

Dear friends, let us draw inspiration from the faith of the blind men and Samuel, and from the compassion of Jesus. Let us approach the Lord with unwavering faith, trusting in His power to heal and transform. And let us heed His call to be workers in His abundant harvest, spreading His love and compassion to all we encounter.

May God bless you all abundantly.

In Christ,

Fr. Abraham Mutholath





UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Homily on St. Anthony by Fr. Abraham Mutholath at Houston on June 16, 2024](#)
- **Teen Zone:** We will have Teen Zone on Friday 5:30 P.M. followed by English Qurbana and Adoration ending at 8:45 P.M.
- **Parish Council** will be held on Monday, June 24 after 7:00 P.M. Qurbana.
- **Pictures at Bema (\$ 720) and Altar (\$ 872.44). Old Testament Lector Stand images (\$522) New Testament Lector Stand images (\$522), Lamb of God (\$457.50) Pelican Bird (\$457.50) Sponsors are welcome.**
- **Bible Verse Memorize Program:** Holy Childhood is organizing a Bible verse memorize program. Every Sunday they will get a Bible verse to memorize. They send a video by the end of the week. For details please contact Sr. Joicy or Geno Vellian.
- **Summer Camp for Middle Schoolers:** There will be a summer camp for the middle schoolers (grades 6-8 of the past school year) on July 19 & 20 (Friday & Saturday) from 9am to 5pm. The registration google form will be posted in their class WhatsApp groups. Registration fee will be \$35. Please encourage them to participate.
- **Main Feast Preparation:** In preparation for our main feast, the sponsors will have special devotion on the first Saturdays starting June 1st. Also, they will have 33 Days of Morning Glory starting July 13 and ending on August 15th.
- We are planning **Syro-Malankara Qurbana once a month** in our church. Those interested in please contact Gino Vellian or Philin Kudakasseril.



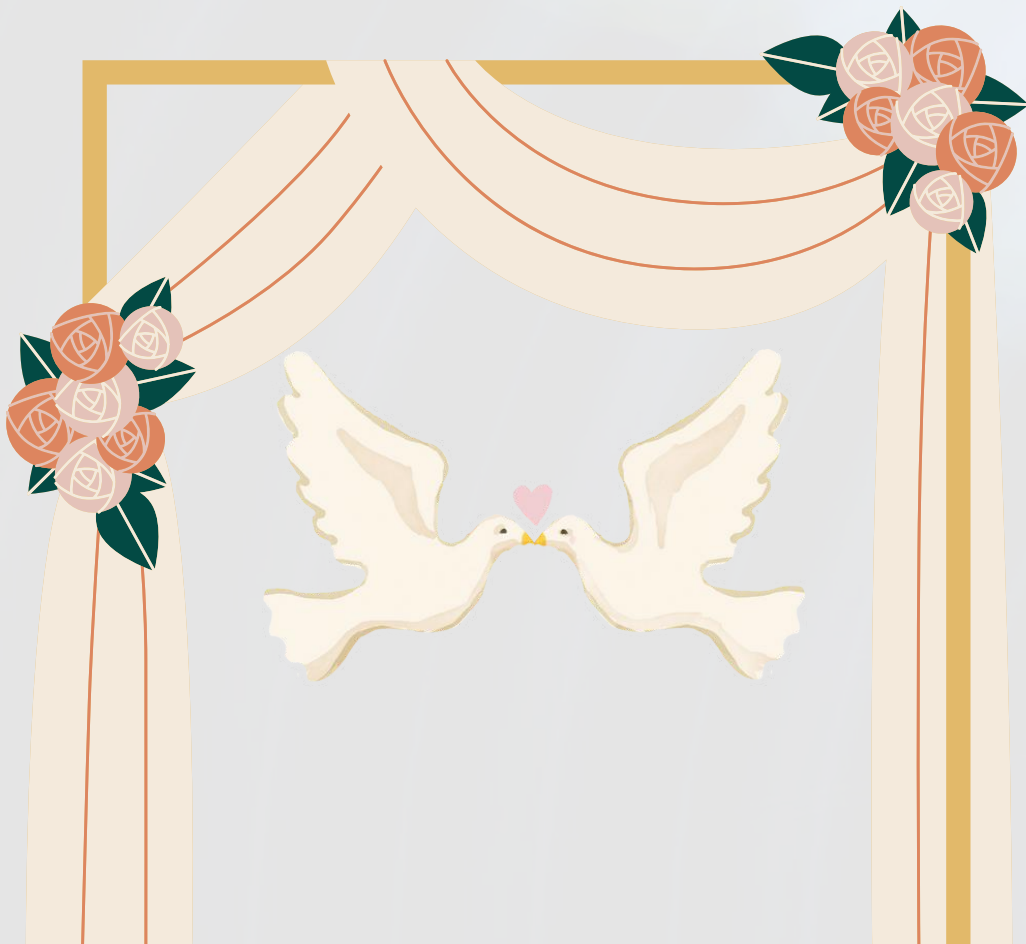
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- **Family Renewal Retreat** will be held from October 4 to 6 by a team from UK and USA. The registration fee will be 150 for couples and 100 for singles.
- **More sponsors are welcome for the main feast. \$100 and above**
- **Catechism Registration for the new academic year (2024-25)** has started. Please use the opportunity to register early before summer vacations. Registration forms can be downloaded from the parish website: smkchouston.org. It is also shared on the Parish WhatsApp group. Please fill the paper form and submit **(in-person)** with registration fee and annual contribution. Early registration (without late fee) ends on July 14th.



WEDDING BANNS

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SNAPSHOTS

FATHER'S DAY





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IMPORTANT DATES

JUNE 2024

JUNE 22 SAT: FEASTS OF ST. JOHN FISHER AND ST. THOMAS MOORE

JUNE 24 MON: BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

JUNE 28 FRI: FEAST OF ST. IRENAEUS

JUNE 29 SAT: FEASTS OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL, THE APOSTLES

JULY 2024

JULY 3 WED: DUKHRANA OF ST. THOMAS, THE APOSTLE

JULY 5 FRI: FEAST OF THE SEVENTY DISCIPLES

JULY 7 SUN: FEAST OF TWELVE APOSTLES (NUSARDEL)

JULY 11 THU: FEAST OF ST. BENEDICT OF NURSIA

JULY 12 FRI: FEAST OF MAR JACOB OF NISIBIS

JULY 15 MON: FEASTS OF ST. KURIAKOSE AND ST. JULITTA

JULY 16 TUA: FEAST OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

JULY 19 FRI: FEAST OF MAR MARI, THE DISCIPLE OF MAR ADDAI

JULY 22 MON: FEAST OF ST. MARY MAGDALENE

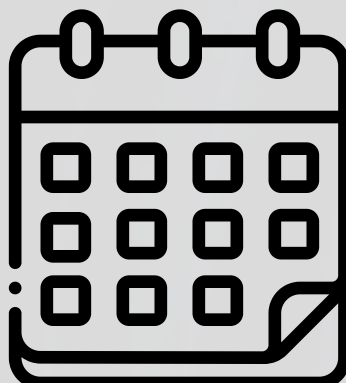
JULY 25 THU: FEAST OF ST. JAMES, THE APOSTLE

JULY 26 FRI: FEASTS OF ST. JOACHIM AND ST. ANNE

JULY 27 SAT: FEAST OF ST. ALPHONSA

JULY 29 MON: FEAST OF ST. MARTHA

JULY 31 WED: FEAST OF ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA





CATECHISM CORNER

UPDATES

- CATECHISM REGISTRATION FOR NEXT YEAR HAS STARTED, PLEASE SIGN UP AT THE EARLIEST CONVENIENCE

SAINT OF THE WEEK

SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

**FEAST DAY:
JUNE 21ST**

PATRONAGE: YOUNG STUDENTS, CHRISTIAN YOUTH, JESUIT SCHOLASTICS, THE BLIND

VERSE OF THE WEEK

**Colossians 3:20-
Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord**



BIBLE PASSAGE

- LEVITICUS 8:1-13
- ISAIAH 6:1-8
- 1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-31
- MATHEW 9:27-38

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

QURBANA SCHEDULE

MON - FRI: 9:00 AM (MAL)
7:00 PM (MAL)
SATURDAY: 9:30 AM (MAL)
SUNDAY: 7:30 AM (MAL)
9:30 AM (ENG)
11:30 AM (MAL - SOLEMN)

CATECHISM

SUNDAY: 10:30 AM

CONFESSION

MON - FRI: 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM
(ALSO ANYTIME UPON REQUEST)

NOVENA (AFTER QURBANA)

TUESDAY: ST. ANTONY
THURSDAY: ST. JUDE
SATURDAY: B.V. MARY

ADORATION

MON - FRI: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
SATURDAY: 8:30 AM - 9:30 AM
FIRST FRIDAY: 8 PM TO 9 PM (MAL)
THRID FRIDAY: 8 PM TO 9 PM (ENG)

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