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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

7:30 AM MALAYALAM MASS

♠ 9:30 AM ENGLISH MASS

11:30 AM MALAYALAM SOLEMN MASS

Q Readings

Sunday September 15, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses ×

- Num 21:1-9 The Bronze serpent.
- Zech 10:8-12 They shall walk in His Name.
- Gal 6:11-18 Far be it from me to boast except in the Cross.
- Mt 10:34-42 He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not fit for me.

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VICAR'S MESSAGE

LESSONS FROM JAPAN

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this message finds you well in faith and peace. I recently had the privilege of leading a pilgrimage with 44 fellow travelers from Houston and Chicago to Japan from September 2 to 12, 2024. Our journey took us to many remarkable places, but what left an indelible impression on me was not just the beauty of the country, but the people of Japan themselves. As a community, we have much to learn from their way of life, work, and perseverance.

The Japanese people are renowned for their hard work and dedication. Wherever we went, we witnessed an unwavering commitment to their duties, whether it was in the streets, shops, factories, or places of worship. This work ethic has made Japan a prominent nation, despite its small size when compared to countries like the United States, India, or even our home state of Kerala. Japan's size does not limit its potential, and they continue to excel in producing high-quality goods and advancing cutting-edge technology.

One of the most remarkable qualities I observed was their unity and efficient coordination. Whether in their transportation systems, daily tasks, or in moments of national challenge, they come together as one, moving with precision and purpose. This unity allows them to overcome great obstacles, including frequent natural calamities such as earthquakes, tsunamis, and even the devastation of war. Their resilience in the face of these challenges is inspiring, and their ability to rebuild with hope and efficiency is a testament to their strength as a people.

Their sense of cleanliness, morality, and order is also exemplary. From spotless streets to well-maintained public spaces, Japan's emphasis on neatness reflects their respect for one another and for the environment. Their moral values and discipline are deeply embedded in their culture, helping to foster a society that thrives on respect and harmony.

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As we reflect on these experiences, we should ask ourselves: what can we, as the Knanaya Catholic community here in Houston, learn from Japan? How can we apply these values of hard work, unity, and coordination to further the growth and progress of our parish? Japan teaches us that, no matter our size, we can achieve great things when we work together in harmony. With unity, we can build a stronger parish, grow in faith, and achieve excellence in all that we do, much like the Japanese have done on the world stage.

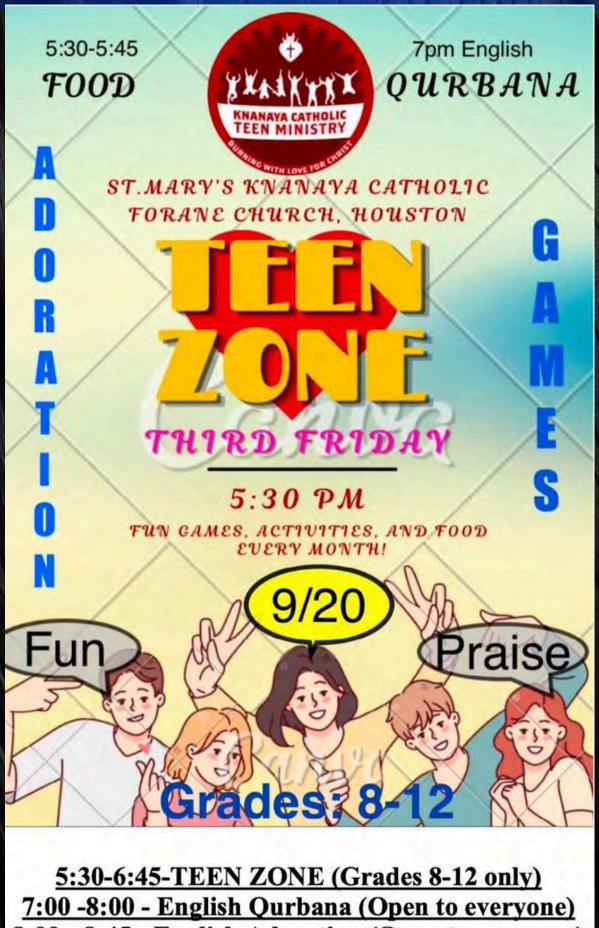
I encourage each of you to reflect on how we can adapt these values in our own lives and within our community. Let us be inspired by Japan's resilience and dedication, and let us work together to strengthen our bonds as a faith community, united in Christ.

In Christ's love, Fr. Abraham Mutholath Pastor



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8:00 - 8:45 - English Adoration (Open to everyone)

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UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- <u>Homily on Mathew 17:9–13 at Houston by Fr. Abraham</u> <u>Mutholath at Houston on September 1, 2024.</u>
- Grand-parents' cultural day celebration on September 14, Saturday. Please sign up at reception.
- Monthly Malankara Qurbana will start on September 14th Saturday. It will be held at 2:00 P.M.
- Seniors Day care on every Wednesday after 9:00 A.M. Qurbana, from September 18th onwards. Sign up at the reception desk.
- Our main feast will be from October 10 to 20 with ten-day Rosary devotion. The solemn days will be October 18 to 20. Sponsors who have not given the money \$100 or more, please do so.
- Family renewal retreat for couples from October 4 to 6. Spiritual counseling will be available. Resource persons are mainly from UK. A separate one for 6th grade students to 12th graders on October 5 and 6. Registration fee for children for two days is \$20. Parents please make sure your children participate in it.
- Pre-marriage course at our church will be held from Friday, November 08, 2024 (4.00 pm) to Sunday November 10, 2024 (1.00 pm). Please register at front counter.

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WEDDING BANNS

- Nikhil Mathew son of Mathew and Elsy Purathutte from Christ the King K.C. Church, Dallas with Josephine Alex daughter of Alex and Daisymol Panamkalayil from this parish to be held on October 12, 2024 (First Bann)
- Jaison Joseph Thomas, son of Thomas and Mayamma Kanichattuthar from this parish with Shauna daughter of Johnson and Shaiby Cherukara from this parish to be held on November 9, 2024. (Second Bann)
- Aby Babu Lukose son of Babu and Elsamma Athimattathil from this parish with Neethu Monica Mathew daughter of Jose and Zeena Ellankiyil from Sacred Heart Knanaya Catholic Parish, Chicago to be held on November 30, 2024. (Third Bann)
- Tony Cyriac son of Cyriac and Ligi Vandanathel (Ottappallil) from this parish with Ashmi Thomas daughter of Thomas and Sheeba Nedumthuruthil Puthenpurayil from St. Thomas Knanaya Catholic Church, Kallara St. Thomas to be held on January 11, 2025. (Third Bann)



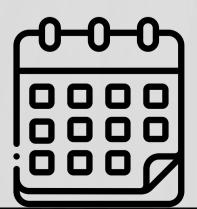
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IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER 2024

SEP 13 FRI: FEAST OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM SEP 14 SAT: THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS SEP 21 SAT: FEAST OF ST. MATHEW, THE APOSTLE SEP 27 FRI: FEAST OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SEP 28 SAT: FEASTS OF ARCHANGELS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL SEP 30 MON: FEAST OF ST. JEROME



UPDATES

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CATECHISM CORNER

SAINT OF THE WEEK

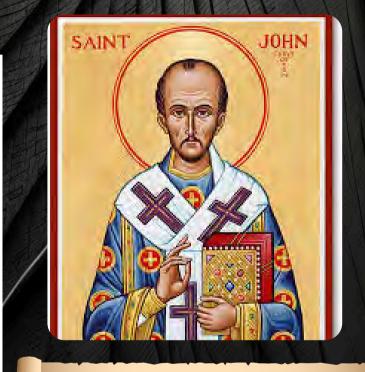
SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

FEAST DAY: SEPTEMBER 13

PATRONAGE: EDUCATION, EPILEPSY, LECTURERS

VERSE OF THE WEEK

Psalm 28:7-The LORD is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me



BIBLE PASSAGE

- NUMBERS 21:1-9
- ZECHERIAH 10:8-12
- GALATIANS 6:11-18
- MATHEW 10:34-

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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 FIRST FRIDAY: SACRED HEART 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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