HANA CATHOLIC FORALL **OCTOBER 15, 2024** 

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#### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

7:30 AM QURBANA

9:30 AM SOLEMN RAASA QURBANA

### **Q** Readings

Sunday October 20, 2024 Ninth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses

• Gen 19:23-29 God saves Abraham and Lot

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- Mal 4:1-6 The Lord's day is at hand
- 1 Thess 4:13-18 The hope of the Christians
- Lk 21:20-28 Your salvation is near

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### VICAR'S MESSAGE

### THE POWERFUL LEGACY OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary this week, I invite you to rediscover the spiritual depth of this beloved devotion. This is not just a story of the past, but a profound invitation for us today - to experience the power of prayer, trust in Mary's intercession, and draw closer to Christ through the mysteries of the rosary.

#### The Origins: A Gift of Prayer from Heaven

The tradition of the rosary, as many of you know, traces back to St. Dominic, who was entrusted by Our Blessed Mother with this prayer to fight against spiritual darkness. As St. Dominic took on the mission to bring people back to the truth of the Gospel, the rosary became his spiritual weapon. Even though it began as a humble prayer, modeled after the 150 Psalms, the rosary evolved into a universal tool for all Christians - simple enough for anyone to pray, yet deep enough to guide the heart into the mysteries of God.

Mary, the perfect disciple of Christ, invites each one of us to meditate on the life of Jesus through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and now the Luminous Mysteries. These moments in the life of Jesus are not just distant events from history but encounters with the living God who walks with us today. Every mystery helps us understand more deeply how God is present in our lives: in joy, sorrow, triumph, and ordinary moments of light.

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#### The Battle of Lepanto: A Victory through Prayer

One of the most inspiring moments connected with the rosary is the Battle of Lepanto in 1571. At that time, Christian Europe faced a great threat from the Ottoman Empire, which sought to dominate the region. Outnumbered and fearing defeat, Pope Pius V called for all believers to pray the rosary for protection and victory. Even though the Christian forces were small, the victory at Lepanto was miraculous - not just a military triumph but a testament to the power of prayer. Pope Pius V attributed the victory to the intercession of Our Lady, and in thanksgiving, he established the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7.

What does this teach us today? Life brings us many battles - not always on the battlefield, but in our hearts, homes, and workplaces. We all struggle with anxieties, doubts, difficult relationships, temptations, and the burdens of daily life. In these moments, the rosary reminds us that we are never alone. Just as the Christians at Lepanto placed their trust in God through the intercession of Mary, we too can find strength in prayer to face the battles we encounter.

#### The Rosary: A Prayer for Today's Challenges

In today's fast-paced world, it's easy to feel overwhelmed. Peace and stillness seem out of reach, and many of us are weighed down by the pressures of family life, work, and personal struggles. How can we stay connected to God amidst this busyness? The rosary offers us a moment of pause, reflection, and grace. As we meditate on the life of Jesus through the lens of Mary, we begin to experience God's presence even in the most ordinary moments of life.

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When we are joyful, the rosary reminds us to give thanks.

When we are sorrowful, it calls us to cling to Christ's cross.

When life seems ordinary, the mysteries invite us to see how God is working quietly in our lives.

And in times of darkness, the rosary becomes a beacon of hope - assuring us that after every Good Friday, Easter Sunday will come.

Many saints, including St. John Paul II, emphasized the rosary as a path to peace in the world and peace in our hearts. He believed the family that prays the rosary together is strengthened in love and unity. Imagine what could happen if more families, communities, and parishes returned to the practice of praying the rosary! It is not just a private prayer but one that can transform hearts, families, and even society.

#### **Practical Applications: How to Embrace the Rosary Today**

- **Pray as a Family:** Set aside a few minutes each day or once a week to pray the rosary together. Even one decade a day can make a difference.

- Carry the Rosary with You: Let it be a silent companion in your pocket or purse. In moments of waiting or anxiety, pull it out and pray a decade.

- Offer Intentions: Each time you pray, bring your struggles, intentions, and loved ones before God. There is great power in praying for others.

- **Rosary Walks:** Take a walk outdoors while praying the rosary. Let creation around you inspire your meditation on the mysteries of Christ.

- Join a Rosary Group or Confraternity: Praying together strengthens our faith and reminds us that we are part of the Body of Christ.

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Remember, brothers and sisters, the rosary is not about saying words but about encountering God. Mary, through the rosary, gently leads us by the hand to her Son, Jesus. As we reflect on His life, we begin to see how His love is present in our lives, even when we don't feel it.

#### **Trust in the Intercession of Our Lady**

As we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, let us renew our trust in Mary's intercession. She, who interceded for the Christian fleet at Lepanto, still intercedes for us today. She knows our hearts, our joys, and our sorrows. When we turn to her in prayer, we are placing ourselves in a mother's care, knowing that she always points us to Christ.

So today, let us take up the rosary with new enthusiasm! Let it become our companion in joy, our comfort in sorrow, and our weapon against the darkness that sometimes surrounds us. Through this powerful prayer, may we find peace for our hearts, hope in our trials, and grace to live as faithful disciples of Christ.

May the intercession of Our Lady of the Rosary lead us closer to Jesus, fill our homes with peace, and inspire us to share His love with the world.

In Christ through Mary, Fr. Abraham Mutholath Vicar



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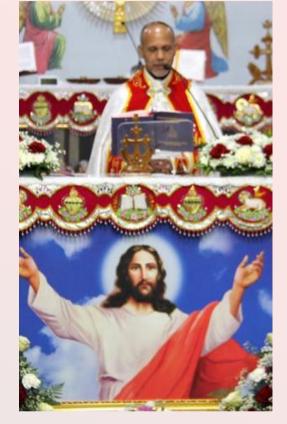
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## **SNAPSHOTS**

## FEAST QURBANA ON FRIDAY OCT 11







### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**



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# **OCTOBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**



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## MISSION LEAGUE NEW OFFICE BEARERS TAKING CHARGE







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**SNAPSHOTS** 

## **DISTRIBUTION OF SHAWLS BY WOMEN'S MINISTRY FOR MAIN FEAST**







### **OUR CHURCH**



**OCTOBER 15, 2024** 

### UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

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- Our main feast will start this Thursday with ten-day Rosary devotion. Printed notice is available at the reception desk. Sponsors who have not given the money, please do so. Others are also welcome.
- No Senior Day Program this Wednesday and no special catechism class for differently abled children on this Saturday because of the feast.
- No catechism class on coming Sunday because of the feast
- No morning Qurbana Monday through Friday this week because of the feast.
- Monday Friday, liturgy will start with Adoration and Rosary at 6:00 P.M.
- Every evening, we have priests from outsideto offer the Holy Qurbana.
- On Friday, the Holy Qurbana will be by our Knanaya Bishop Mathews Mar Pakomius OIC in Malankara Rite. He is the bishop of Puna Malankara diocese.
- We will have priest from outside to hear confession on Friday.
- 9. On Saturday, we will have rosary procession and benediction.
- Shawl with image of OL of Guadalupe will be available for \$15 for prasudenties as uniform on coming Saturday and Sunday. Anyone from the family can get it.

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- 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.
- On Sunday, after the Raasa Qurbana, all the youth will be invited to take charge as sponsors of Youth Thirunal next year.
- Cultural program will be done as part of our main feast on Sunday at 6:30 P.M. at our community center. LCD screen is available for background display.
- Sponsors who have not given the money, please do so. Others are also welcome.
- Please pray for the success of our feast.

### CHURCH MAIN FEAST SCHEDULE

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- October 16, 2024 (Wednesday)
  - 6:00 PM: Adoration and Rosary
  - 7:00 PM: Qurbana, Novena Rev. Fr. Joy Kochappally
    - Fifth Sorrowful Mystery: Mary at the foot of the cross
  - October 17, 2024 (Thursday)
    - 6:00 PM: Adoration and Rosary
    - 7:00 PM: Qurbana, Novena Rev. Fr. Sunny Plamoottil
      - Third Glorious Mystery: Pentecost
- October 18, 2024 (Friday)
  - 6:00 PM: Adoration and Rosary
  - 7:00 PM: Syro-Malankara Qurbana, Novena
  - Mathews Mar Pakomius, OIC (Puna Malankara Bishop)
  - Rev. Fr. Binny Nedumpurath (Pastor Malankara)
    - Fourth Glorious Mystery: Assumption of BV Mary
- October 19, 2024 (Saturday)
  - 6:00 PM: Adoration, Ladinge
  - 7:00 PM: Qurbana
    - Fifth Glorious Mystery: The Coronation of Mary
  - 8:00 PM: Rosary Procession, Benediction
- October 20, 2024 (Sunday)
  - 7:30 AM: Qurbana
  - 9:30 AM: Solemn Raasa Qurbana Rev. Fr. Boban Vattampuram (Vicar, San Antonio)
  - Homily: Rev. Fr. Johnson Neelanirappel
  - 11:45 AM: Solmen Procession
  - 12:30 PM: Benediction Rev. Fr. Thomas Pralel
  - 6:30 PM: Cultural Festival At Knanaya Catholic Community Center Inauguration: Bishop Mathews Mar Pakkomius OIC
  - October 21, 2024 (Monday)
    - 6:00 P M: Adoration
    - 7:00 PM: Memorial Qurbana for the deceased.



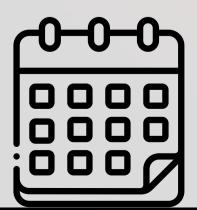
- Jobin Francis, son of Francis and Ancy Mattathil from this parish with Jasmin Jose daughter of Jose and Lourdcymol Pazhampally from Sacred Heart Knanaya Catholic Parish Chicago to be held on February 1, 2025. (First Bann)
- Bibin K. Babu son of Babu and Lizzy Kottoor from St. Jude Knanaya Catholic Parish South Florida with Samantha Mathew daughter of Sabu Mathew and Liz Mathew Mappilasessery from this parish to be held on January 15, 2025. (First Bann)



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### **IMPORTANT DATES**

OCTOBER 2024 OCT 16 WED: FEAST OF BL. THEVARPARAMPIL KUNJACHAN OCT 16 WED: FEAST OF ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH OCT 17 THU: FEAST OF ST. LUKE, THE EVANGELIST OCT 20 SUN: MISSION SUNDAY OCT 20 SUN: MISSION SUNDAY OCT 22 TUE: FEAST OF ST. JOHN PAUL II OCT 28 MON: FEASTS OF ST. SIMON AND ST. JUDE, APOSTLES



**UPDATES** 

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### **CATECHISM CORNER**

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

SAINT LUKE FEAST DAY: OCTOBER 18TH

#### PATRONAGE: ARTISTS, DOCTORS, BUTCHERS, PAINTERS

### VERSE OF THE WEEK

Galatians 4:9-ut now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God, how can you turn back again to the weak and beggarly elemental spirits, whose slaves you want to be once more



## **BIBLE PASSAGE**

- GENESIS 19:23-29
- MALACHI 4:1-6
- 1 THESSALONIANS 4:13-18
- LUKE 21:20-28

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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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PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENTS

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