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### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

7:30 AM MALAYALAM  
QURBANA

9:30 AM ENGLISH  
QURBANA

11:30 AM MALAYALAM  
SOLEMN QURBANA

### 🔍 Readings



Sunday February 2, 2025  
Fifth Sunday of Epiphany

- Deut 18:13-18 You must be blameless before the Lord
- Is 48:12-20 There is no peace, for the wicked
- Heb 6: 9 -15 Eternal priest according to the order of Melchizadek
- Jn 3:14 - 21 You are to be born again in water and spirit



## VICAR'S MESSAGE

### PRESENTATION OF JESUS IN THE TEMPLE (LUKE 2:21-38)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday we celebrate the presentation of Jesus in the Temple. This feast and the gospel passage from Luke 2:21-38 bring us into a moment filled with faith, hope, and divine promise. Here we meet two remarkable witnesses of faith - Simeon and Anna - who recognize the child Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah. Their encounters teach us profound lessons about trust in God, prayerful waiting, and the joy of recognizing His presence in our lives.

#### Faithful Obedience and Dedication to God

Joseph and Mary obeyed the Jewish law by bringing Jesus to the Temple for His circumcision on the eighth day and His presentation to God. This act of obedience shows their reverence for God's commandments. In our lives today, we too are called to show faithful obedience to God's teachings and bring our families closer to Him. Let us take seriously the spiritual formation of our children by encouraging them to participate in the sacraments, pious associations, ministries, Holy Qurbana, and learn the richness of our Catholic faith.

#### Simeon and Anna: Witnesses of Faith and Prayer

Simeon had waited his entire life for the "consolation of Israel," and Anna, a devout widow, worshiped in the Temple day and night. Their example reminds us of the importance of patience and perseverance in prayer. Sometimes, we may feel that God's promises are delayed, but we must remember that His timing is perfect. Are we like Simeon and Anna, persistent in our prayer life and attentive to the Spirit? This Gospel challenges us to remain steadfast in our faith and prayer, even when answers are slow in coming.

#### The Joy of Recognizing God's Presence

When Simeon held Jesus, he praised God, declaring Him as "a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel." Anna, too, gave thanks and spoke about Jesus to all who awaited redemption. These responses remind us of the joy of encountering Christ and sharing Him with others. Do we truly recognize God's presence in the Eucharist, in the Word of God, and in our daily lives? And do we share that joy with others?

## VICAR'S MESSAGE

### Practical Suggestions for Our Parish Today

- 1. Family Participation in the Church:** Just as Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to the Temple, families should bring their children to Qurbana regularly.
- 2. Cultivate a Culture of Prayer:** Simeon and Anna were models of prayer and devotion. Consider cooperate with prayer initiatives in the parish, such as Eucharistic adoration, rosary groups, or ministry workshops, to help deepen our relationship with God.
- 3. Focus on the Elderly and Their Role in the Parish:** Simeon and Anna were advanced in age, yet they played a vital role in recognizing Jesus and proclaiming His mission. Our seniors, too, hold great wisdom and faith.
- 4. Promote Outreach to the Needy and Lonely:** Anna's life as a widow reminds us of the importance of supporting those who are marginalized or alone.
- 5. Foster an Evangelizing Spirit:** Just as Simeon and Anna proclaimed the Good News about Jesus, we are called to share our faith with others.

As we reflect on this Gospel, may we learn from the holy family's obedience, Simeon's trust, and Anna's dedication. Let us commit ourselves to deeper prayer, active participation in the sacraments, and sharing the joy of Christ with others.

May Mary, the Mother of God, guide us in presenting ourselves and our loved ones wholly to the Lord, just as she presented Jesus in the Temple.

In Christ's peace,  
Fr. Abraham Mutholath  
Vicar







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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Homily on John 2:1-11 Wedding at Cana by Fr. Abraham Mutholath on January 26, 2025 in Houston.](#)
- **Blessing of birthdays and wedding anniversaries on next Sunday after each Qurbana.**
- **Fr. Mutholath will be in India from January 30 to February 11. Attending Silver Jubilee of Chaithana Karshika Mela that he has started and the blessing of the church he sponsored in the Diocese of Miao in Arunachal Pradesh on February 6th.**
- **Annual contribution and Building fund list are published. Please check for any difference.**
- **Beware of messages in social media using fake IDs in the name of church officials.**
- **Those who participated in the Auction: Please give the amount if you have not yet given.**





# WEDDING BANNS

- **Jaison James, son of James and Bindu Oliyil from this parish with Melissa Mathai, daughter of Mathai (Kunjumon) and Ancy Kalappurathattal to be held on May 3, 2025. (Second Bann)**
- **Alvin Chackochen, son of Jimmy and Gracy Uppoottil from Sacred Heart Knanaya Catholic Church Tampa with Shelby Iype, daughter of Rarichen and Annes Chennattu from this parish to be held on July 26, 2025. (First Bann)**







7pm English  
Mass

**ST. MARY'S KNANAYA CATHOLIC  
FORANE CHURCH, HOUSTON**

# Teen Zone

ADORATION

GAMES

*2/21 @ 6pm*

**Fun, Games, Activities & Food**

**Every Third Friday**

**6:00 - 6:50 TEEN ZONE (8TH-12TH GRADERS ONLY)**

**7:00-8:00 ENGLISH QURBANA (OPEN TO EVERYONE)**

**8:00-8:45 ADORATION (OPEN TO EVERYONE)**





## IMPORTANT DATES

### FEBRUARY 2025

**FEB 2 SUN: THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE  
(PURIFICATION OF OUR LADY)**

**FEB 4 TUE: FEAST OF SAINT JOHN BRITTO**

**FEB 7 FRI: FEAST OF GREEK FATHERS**

**FEB 10 MON - FEB 12 WED: THREE DAYS FAST**

**FEB 11 TUE: FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES (DAY OF THE  
SICK)**

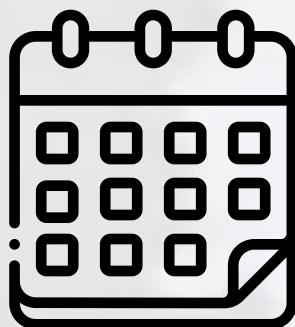
**FEB 14 FRI: FEAST OF SYRIAC FATHERS**

**FEB 21 FRI: FEASTS OF SAINTS OF THE SYRO-MALABAR CHURCH  
AND PATRON OF THE CHURCH**

**FEB 23 SAT: FEAST OF SAINT POLYCARP**

**FEB 25 TUE: FEAST OF BLESSED MARTYR RANI MARIA**

**FEB 28 FRI: COMMEMORATION OF THE DEAD**







## CATECHISM CORNER

UPDATES

### SAINT OF THE WEEK

**SAINT AGATHA OF SICILY  
FEAST DAY:  
FEBRUARY 5**

**PATRONAGE: BAKERS,  
NURSES, MARTYRS**



### BIBLE PASSAGE

### VERSE OF THE WEEK

**Colossians 2:5-Rather,  
speaking the truth in love,  
we are to grow up in every  
way into him who is the  
head, into Christ**

- **DEUTRONOMY  
18:13-18**
- **ISAIAH 48:12-20**
- **HEBREWS 6: 9 -15**
- **JOHN 3:14 - 21**



# 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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Any request will be subject to review

Small fee will be charged that will go to charity via church account.