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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 March 9, 2025
Second Sunday of Lent

- Gen 5:19-31 Persons who lived with God
- Josh 4:15-24 Passing through the river of Jordan to the land of salvation
- Rom 6:15-23 We are not under law but under grace
- Mt 7:21-27 The true disciple

VICAR'S MESSAGE

TRAINING OUR CHILDREN, TEENAGERS, AND YOUTH IN THE OBSERVANCE OF LENT

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the sacred season of Lent, we are reminded of its profound significance in our spiritual journey. Lent is a time of **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving** - preparing our hearts to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord at Easter. While children are not obligated to observe Lent in the same way as adults, it is essential that we **begin training them from a young age** to understand and participate in its spiritual practices in meaningful ways.

The Lenten season offers us an opportunity to teach our children the values of self-discipline, sacrifice, and compassion. By introducing them to small but meaningful Lenten observances, we help them build a foundation of faith that will guide them throughout their lives. Here are some ways we can encourage our children, teenagers, and youth to engage in Lent:

- **Prayer:** Encourage them to join in family prayers, attend Holy Qurbana regularly, and make personal prayers a habit.
- **Confession:** Teach them the importance of reconciliation with God through the Sacrament of Confession.
- **Parish Retreat:** Motivate them to participate in the annual parish retreat, which strengthens faith and brings them closer to Christ.
- **Acts of Charity:** Inspire them to share their blessings - whether it be their savings from birthday gifts, personal allowances, or resources - to help the less fortunate.
- **Personal Sacrifices:** Ask them to come up with their own Lenten resolutions, such as giving up a favorite snack, reducing screen time, or helping more at home.

I sincerely appreciate all the parents who take the time to nurture these values in their children. Your efforts in guiding them through small Lenten practices will bear great spiritual fruit in their lives. May this Lent be a time of grace and renewal for all our families, leading us joyfully to the celebration of Easter.

In Christ's Love,
Fr. Abraham Mutholath
Pastor



SNAPSHOTS

MARCH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES





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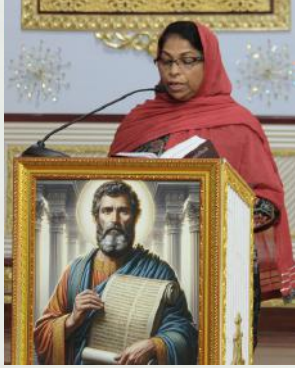
MARCH BIRTHDAYS





SNAPSHOTS

ASH MONDAY





UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Homily on Matthew 4:1-11 Temptations of Jesus, Lent, by Fr. Mutholath in Houston on March 2, 2025.](#)
- [Ash Monday Homily on March 3, 2025 by Fr. Abraham Mutholath in Houston in English.](#)
- Ash Monday and Passion (Good) Friday are days of abstinence and fast. Meat is to be avoided every Friday of lent. Children and those who are sick are exempt. Encourage children to avoid something like candies.
- Morning Qurbana on Wednesday will be at 9:30 A.M. along with the funeral services of Mrs. Thresiamma Myalil.
- We will have a zoom meeting on Wednesday, March 5th at 8:00 P.M. for the parents of children who are preparing for Solemn Reception of Holy Communion that is meant for fourth grade catechism students. Link will be sent via WhatsApp to the parents.
- Our annual pothuyogam will be held on Sunday, March 9th after 7:30 A.M. Qurbana to present the accounts and give updates on the purchase of additional property for the parish.
- Retreat schedule:
 - Thursday April 3rd 6:00 pm to 9 pm Leaders Desiples Training
 - Friday 9:00 am Qurbana to 5:00 pm
 - Saturday 9:30 am Qurbana to 5:00 pm
 - Sunday 9:30 am English Qurbana followed by retreat at 10:45 am and end with Malayalam Qurbana at 5:00 pm.
 - Children and youth retreat on Saturday and Sunday.
- The coming Friday, 3/7, is also the first Friday of the month. So, we will have adoration and novena of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus also.



UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We will have seniors seminar on coming Saturday, 3/8, after 9:30 A.M. Qurbana and will end by 1:00 P.M. All 60 and above are invited to join. Bro. Santhosh of Christeen from India will be the resource person.
- St. Pius X Koodarayogam will be held on coming Saturday, 3/8, at 4:30 P.M. at the house of Dony and Silja Maleparambil.
- English Qurbana of next Sunday will be held half an hour late (10:00 A.M.) because of the pothuyogam. Catechism next Sunday will be from 11:00 to 11:45 AM.
- Dei Verbum 2025 Diocesan Bible Quiz final will be on Saturday, April 12th. Adults and children who qualified for the final round, please prepare for the quiz. The guidelines were posted in the WhatsApp group yesterday.
- St. George Koodarayogam will be held on next Sunday, 3/9 at 5:00 P.M. at the house of Jose and Marykutty Chamakkala.
- Baptism preparation class will be held on Tuesday March 11 via zoom at 8:30 P.M.
- Pre-marriage course will be held at our church from May 9-11. No need to wait for arranging your marriage to attend that. Please register.
- Catechism classes ends only at 11:45am on Sundays. Children (especially children from middle and high school), please do not try to leave or parents please do not try to pull out the children before 11:45am. Recently, this is causing disturbance to the teachers in classes. Also Children please make sure to go straight to your classrooms immediately after dismissal from Qurbana. Parents, please make sure that they are going to the class.



UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **We need more adult altar servers so we can have procession for Qurbana on Sundays and use thurificator. Those who are interested / experienced, please sign up at the reception desk.**
- **The inauguration of the Silver Jubilee of Syro-Malabar Diocese of Chicago will be held on Saturday, March 22, at 11:00 AM at Mar Thomas Sleeha Cathedral.**
- **Eucharistic Congress of the Diocese from May 23-25 at Somerset, NJ. Those who can, please register and attend.**



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON FRIDAYS

We will have stations of the Cross on every Friday during the season of Lent after Holy Qurbana. Please encourage our children and youth to attend. We will have it separate in English for them in the chapel on Fridays after 7:00 P.M. Qurbana.

ABSTINENCE AND FAST

Ash Monday and Passion (Good) Friday are days of abstinence and fast. Meat is to be avoided every Friday of lent.

ANNUAL RETREAT

The annual Lenten Retreat of our parish will be held for adults from April 4 to 6 and for youth and children from April 5 to 6, 2025. Confession day will be on Saturday, April 5. We will have special prayers for the success of the retreat during the Lenten days from Sunday April 2, 2025. Please do the same at home during family prayer.

CONFESSION

Priests will be available to hear confession on every day before and after Holy Qurbana during the season of Lent.

HOLY COMMUNION IN DOUBLE SPECIES

We will start distributing Holy Communion in double species (in the form of bread and wine) during weekdays starting on Ash Monday. So, you have to receive the Holy Eucharist on your tongue.



WEDDING BANNS

- **Roshan Macheril Sabuji, son of Sabuji and Elsy Poozhiunnel from this parish with Hanna Sunny, daughter of Sunny and Sincy Puthenpurayil from St. John's Knanaya Malankara Catholic, Chingavanam to be held on May 5, 2025. (Second Bann)**





7pm English
Mass

**ST. MARY'S KNANAYA CATHOLIC
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Teen Zone

ADORATION

GAMES

3/21 @ 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)





Annual Retreat

led by

Missionaries of Apostolic Grace



Rev. Dr. John Palathinkal
Spiritual Father



Br. Prince Vithayathil
Founder MOAG



Br. Francis Xavier
Preacher



Br. Jackson Jose
Preacher



Schedule



April 3, Thursday:

- Discipleship training for leaders: 6:00 to 9:00pm

April 4, Friday:

- Qurbana at 9:00am followed by:
 - Adult's Retreat until 5:00pm

April 5, Saturday:

- Qurbana at 9:30am followed by:
 - Adult's Retreat until 5:00pm
 - Youth and Children's Retreat until 5:00pm

April 6, Sunday:

- Malayalam Qurbana at 7:30am
- English Qurbana at 9:30am followed by:
 - Adult's Retreat until 5:00pm
 - Youth and Children's Retreat until 5:00pm
- Malayalam Solemn Qurbana at 5:00pm



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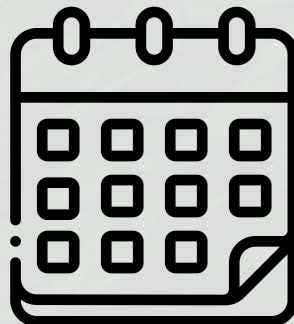
MARCH 2025

MAR 3 MON: LENT BEGINS. DAY OF FASTING

MAR 18 TUE: FEAST OF SAINT CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

MAR 19 WED: FEAST OF DEATH OF SAINT JOSEPH

MAR 25 TUE: THE FEAST OF ANNUNCIATION





CATECHISM CORNER

UPDATES

- ENGLISH MASS WILL START AT 10 AM ON SUNDAY, FEB 9\
- THERE WILL BE NO CCD ON SUNDAY, FEB 16

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL
FEAST DAY:
MARCH 3

**PATRONAGE: RACIAL
 JUSTICE AND
 PHILANTHROPISTS**



BIBLE PASSAGE

- GENESIS 5:19-31
- JOSHUA 4:15-24
- ROMANS 6:15-23
- MATHEW 7:21-27

VERSE OF THE WEEK

1 THESSALONIANS 4:9-BUT CONCERNING LOVE OF THE BRETHREN YOU HAVE NO NEED TO HAVE ANY ONE WRITE TO YOU, FOR YOU YOURSELVES HAVE BEEN TAUGHT BY GOD TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER

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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