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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 16, 2025

Third Sunday of Lent

- Gen 7:6-24 Noah and family are saved
- Josh 5:13-6:5 With the grace of Lord, destroy the wall of wickedness
- Rom 7:14-25 Who will rescue me from evil?
- Mt 20:17-28 Call to discipleship is to participate in the sufferings

VICAR'S MESSAGE

THE FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

Dear Parishioners,

As we celebrate the feast of Saint Joseph, the Husband of Mary on March 19, we turn our hearts and minds to this silent yet powerful figure in the story of our salvation. St. Joseph, though chosen by God for a unique and honorable role, lived a life of humility, service, and unwavering trust in divine providence. His example continues to inspire us today in our personal, family, and professional lives.

A Model of Obedience and Righteousness

St. Joseph is described in the Scriptures as “a righteous man” (Mt 1:19). His righteousness was evident in his relationship with both God and those around him. When faced with the dilemma of Mary’s unexpected pregnancy, he responded with compassion and integrity, choosing to protect her dignity rather than expose her to public shame. His quiet yet profound faith enabled him to embrace God’s plan wholeheartedly. Even without a direct vision, but only through a dream, he believed the angel’s message and took Mary as his wife, playing a crucial role in the unfolding of God’s redemption.

His righteousness extended beyond this moment. As a faithful Jew, Joseph observed the laws and customs of his faith. He ensured that Jesus was circumcised on the eighth day (Lk 2:21) and presented at the Temple according to Mosaic Law (Lk 2:22-24). He also took his family to Jerusalem annually for the Feast of Passover (Lk 2:41), an obligation not required for those living far from Jerusalem. His faithfulness to Jewish traditions ensured that Jesus grew up in a household that honored God’s law.

A Silent Servant of God

Despite being entrusted with the care of Jesus, the Son of God, the Bible does not record a single spoken word from Joseph. His actions, however, speak volumes. In his silent obedience, he teaches us that holiness is not found in seeking recognition but in faithfully fulfilling God’s will. His humility challenges us to serve selflessly in our own vocations - whether as parents, workers, or members of the Church - seeking not personal gain but the greater glory of God.

Joseph’s silence does not indicate passivity. He was an active protector and provider, taking immediate action when guided by God. When warned in a dream of Herod’s plan to kill the child Jesus, Joseph did not hesitate but fled to Egypt with Mary and Jesus (Mt 2:13-15). When the danger had passed, he obeyed another divine instruction and returned to Nazareth (Mt 2:19-23). These decisions were not easy, yet Joseph never questioned God’s guidance. His responsiveness to divine direction is an example for us to listen attentively and act promptly on God’s call in our lives.

VICAR'S MESSAGE

Protector of the Holy Family

Joseph's role as the guardian of the Holy Family exemplifies his deep love, dedication, and responsibility. Despite hardships, such as the journey to Bethlehem, the flight into Egypt, and the struggles of daily life as a carpenter, he provided and cared for Mary and Jesus with unwavering devotion. In our own lives, we too are called to protect and nurture our families, entrusting them to the care of this great saint.

Joseph was a man of hard work and simplicity. He labored as a carpenter to support his family, demonstrating the dignity of honest labor. This is why he is honored as the patron of workers. His example reminds us that our work, no matter how simple or ordinary, can be an offering to God when done with love and dedication.

Patron of a Holy Death

Saint Joseph is also honored as the patron of a happy death, as tradition holds that he passed away in the presence of Jesus and Mary. His peaceful departure reminds us to prepare our souls for the eternal journey by living a life of righteousness and faith. Many generations have invoked his name in their final moments, praying, "Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, be the companions of my soul." May this prayer be a source of comfort and hope for us all.

Devotion to St. Joseph

Although devotion to St. Joseph grew gradually in the Church, his patronage is now widely recognized. Pope Pius IX declared him Patron of the Universal Church in 1870. Pope Pius XII instituted the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker on May 1 to honor his role as a laborer. Pope Francis has especially encouraged devotion to St. Joseph, even adding his name to the Eucharistic Prayers of the Qubana. The image of the Sleeping St. Joseph, popularized by Pope Francis, reminds us of how God communicated with him in dreams. Many place their prayer intentions under the image, entrusting their needs to his intercession.

A Guide for Our Lives

As we celebrate this feast, let us take inspiration from St. Joseph's life:

- **Live humbly in service to God and others.**
- **Trust in God's plan, even when faced with uncertainty.**
- **Be faithful to our responsibilities as protectors of our families and communities.**
- **Seek St. Joseph's intercession in our daily struggles, work, and journey towards heaven.**

VICAR'S MESSAGE

Saint Joseph, the patron of workers, fathers, families, and the Universal Church, intercede for us and guide us to a deeper love of Christ and His Blessed Mother.

Saint Joseph, pray for us!

In Christ,

Fr. Abraham Mutholath

Pastor





SNAPSHOTS

CHAPEL BLESSING



SENIOR'S SEMINAR





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LEGION OF MARY



SPECIAL SCHOOL





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GENERAL BODY





SNAPSHOTS

PHOTOS OF CHURCH





UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Homily on Matthew 7:21-29 \(Discipleship\) by Fr. Abraham Mutholath on March 9, 2025 in Houston.](#)
- **Bonding Families seminar will be held in region level on coming Wednesday, March 12 at 8:30 P.M. Access code: 345 345 1911.**
- **We will be celebrating the feast of St. Joseph next Sunday, March 16, during all the Qurbanas. Sponsors are welcome to register at the reception desk.**
- **St. Michael's Koodarayogam will be held on next Sunday, March 16, at 5:00 P.M. at the house of Stephen and Jane Theruvath.**
- **St. Antony's Koodarayogam will be held on next Sunday, March 16, at 7:00 P.M. at the house of Mathew and Maya Chirappurath.**
- **No Catechism Class next Sunday, March 16 due to Spring Break**
- **In-Person meeting and class on Saturday, March 29th after Morning Mass for Parents of children receiving Holy Communion. There will be Holy Communion class (in-person) for children on the same day from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm.**
- **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 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.**
- **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.**



UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.**
- **As part of our efforts to instill the spirit of charity in our catechism students, we invite all catechism classes to participate in a voluntary collection during this Lenten season. Students may contribute through good deed money, personal gifts, or donations from their parents. The funds raised will support differently-abled children under the care of the Kottayam Social Service Society, providing them with much-needed medical assistance. Teachers will explain the initiative and facilitate the collection. We kindly ask parents to support this cause with a generous heart and a spirit of goodwill.**
- **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.**
- **We will have preaching by Br. Joy Kallookkaran, the producer of the movie, "The Hope" that was shown in our church last year as part of Catechism festival. The preaching will be on Saturday, March 22nd after 9:30 A.M. Qurbana till noon.**
- **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.**



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. (Third Bann)**





7pm English
Mass

ST. MARY'S KNANAYA CATHOLIC
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Teen Zone

ADORATION

GAMES

3/21 @ 6pm

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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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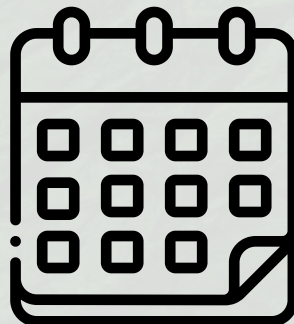
IMPORTANT DATES

MARCH 2025

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

- THERE WILL BE NO CATECHISM CLASS NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 16 DUE TO SPRING BREAK

SAINT OF THE WEEK

ST. PATRICK
FEAST DAY:
MARCH 17

PATRONAGE:
IRELAND, PARALEGALS,
ENGINEERS



BIBLE PASSAGE

- GENESIS 7:6-24
- JOSHUA 5:13-6:5
- ROMANS 7:14-25
- MATHEW 20:17-28

VERSE OF THE WEEK

ROMANS 5:21-SO THAT, AS SIN REIGNED IN DEATH, GRACE ALSO MIGHT REIGN THROUGH RIGHTEOUSNESS TO ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD

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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