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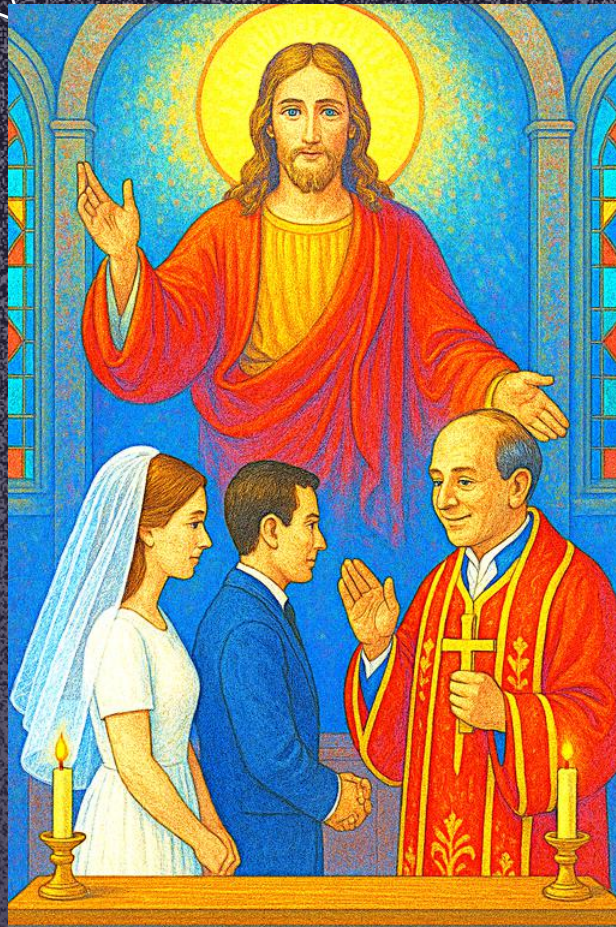
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SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

◆ 7:30 AM MALAYALAM
QURBANA (SOLEMN)

◆ 9:30 AM ENGLISH QURBANA

◆ 11:30 AM MALAYALAM
QURBANA

🔍 Readings



Sunday, August 31, 2025

Sixth Sunday of Summer

- Lev 19:1-4, 9-14 You shall be holy, for I the Lord your God am holy
- Is 29:19-24 The meek shall obtain fresh joy in the Lord
- 1 Thess 2:1-12 Paul's innocent behaviour
- Lk 17:11-19 Jesus cleanses ten lepers and one of them give praise to God

VICAR'S MESSAGE

THE BEAUTY OF SACRAMENTAL MARRIAGE AND THE DANGERS OF LIVING TOGETHER OUTSIDE IT

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In today's society, we increasingly see the trend of young people living together without the blessing of the Church—sometimes after a civil marriage, and often before any formal commitment. This is not a small issue. It is a spiritual and moral challenge that threatens the sanctity of marriage, family life, and even the salvation of souls.

1. Catholic Understanding of Marriage

Marriage is not simply a social arrangement or private contract. It is a covenant established by God. Jesus said: "What God has joined together, let no one separate" (Matthew 19:6). Through the Sacrament of Matrimony, husband and wife receive God's grace to love faithfully, raise children, and reflect Christ's love for His Church.

Civil marriage alone, or cohabitation without marriage, lacks this sacramental grace. Such a union rests on human promises rather than God's blessing, leaving it fragile and vulnerable.

2. Dangers of Living Together and Premarital Sex

Though often portrayed as "freedom" or "modern living," living together and engaging in premarital sex bring serious dangers:

- **Grave Sin:** Sexual intimacy outside of sacramental marriage is a mortal sin, endangering the soul and cutting one off from the sacraments, especially Holy Communion.
- **Contraceptives:** Many who live together resort to contraceptives. The Church teaches that contraception distorts the sacred meaning of sexuality, which is meant for both love and openness to life. It often leads to treating the other as an object of pleasure rather than a gift from God.
- **Abortion:** When contraceptives fail or when a pregnancy occurs outside marriage, some resort to abortion. Abortion is the taking of innocent human life—a grave sin that brings deep spiritual, emotional, and psychological wounds.
- **Children Before Marriage:** The birth of children outside a Church-blessed marriage can cause instability, confusion, and emotional suffering for both parents and children, depriving them of the secure foundation of a sacramental family.
- **Emotional Distress:** Cohabitation often leads to heartbreak, mistrust, and a sense of being "used." Without a lifelong commitment before God, relationships often collapse under pressure.

VICAR'S MESSAGE

- **Weakened Family and Faith:** Such practices undermine Christian family values, weaken the witness of the community, and mislead others, especially younger generations.

3. A Call to Conversion and Renewal

The Church is not here to condemn but to heal and guide. To couples who are living together or have only a civil marriage: the Church warmly invites you to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony. God's grace strengthens love, heals wounds, and restores joy. Confession and reconciliation open the door to a new beginning.

4. The Role of Parents and Catechism Teachers

- **Parents:** Speak openly to your children about chastity, God's plan for love, and the dangers of premarital sex, contraception, and abortion. Share your own witness of a faithful Catholic marriage.
- **Catechism Teachers:** Teach clearly and compassionately about the sacredness of sexuality and the sanctity of marriage. Encourage students to ask questions, but always lead them to God's truth rather than the world's false promises.
- **Community:** Let us celebrate marriages in the Church with joy, prepare our youth for holy family life, and accompany with mercy those who need to regularize their marriages.

5. Conclusion

Dear young people, real love does not fear commitment. It waits patiently for the blessing of God through the sacrament of marriage. Cohabitation, premarital sex, and contraceptives may look like shortcuts to happiness, but they often end in sorrow, brokenness, and sin. Only God's way leads to lasting joy and eternal blessing.

Let us, as families and as a parish, teach and witness to the beauty of marriage as God intended it. Let us pray for our youth, that they may walk in holiness and discover true happiness in Christ.

With prayerful blessings,
Fr. Abraham Mutholath
Pastor





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YOUTH THIRUNAL COMMITTEE MEETING





UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Homily on Rich Man Lazarus parable by Fr. Abraham Mutholath in Houston on August 24, 2025.](#)
- Please encourage all our youth and children to be sponsors by contributing \$100 by the students and 200 by the employed.
- Our Catechism classes for the new academic year have started. Please make sure all children attend all the classes and fully attend Holy Qurbana. Perfect attendance awards will be given at the end of the academic year. Late comers to school will lose their merit for perfect attendance.
- Since 2025 is the Jubilee Year, 45 people from this parish are participating in a pilgrimage to Europe including the Holy Doors of Rome starting this Thursday and ending on September 12th.
- CML anniversary of the South Zone of the Syro-Malabar diocese will be held on Saturday, October 4th at Syro-Malabar Church, Coppel. We will be arranging a bus for our children and CML leaders. Please register with Sr. Jossya SJC or Sheeba Thannichuvattil and will be served on a first come first serve basis. It is open for children from fifth to tenth grade.



WEDDING BANNS

- **Stefin Raju, son of Raju and Lissy Unnukallel from St. Sebastian's Knanaya Catholic Church, Payyavoor with Christino Sabu, daughter of Sabu and Rejimol Veluthedathuparambil from this parish to be held on October 16, 2025. (Third Bann)**
- **Jaiben Makiyil, son of Jain and Isabella Makiyil from this parish with Shelina Markose, daughter of Markose James and Bigi Markose Kelachandra from St. Antony's Knanaya Catholic Parish, San Antonio to be held on November 1, 2025. (Second Bann)**
- **Cecil Chazhikat, son of Peter and Lucy Chazikat from this parish with Angel, daughter of Raju and Simy Thymalil from St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Parish, Detroit to be held on November 22, 2025. (First Bann)**
- **Amal Baby, son of Abraham and Daisy Parempettu from this parish with Chinnu Anish, daughter of Anish and Preena Chettiyanthanathu from St. Stephen's Knanaya Catholic Church, Kurumulloor to be held on January 7, 2026. (First Bann)**



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IMPORTANT DATES

AUGUST 2025

AUG 28 THU: FEAST OF SAINT AUGUSTINE

AUG 29 FRI: FEASTS OF SAINT SIMONI AND HER SEVEN SONS AND SAINT EUPHRASIA

SEPTEMBER 2025

SEP 5 FRI: FEASTS OF SAINT SIMON BARSABA, SAINT THERESA OF CALCUTTA AND THE CO-MARTYRS

SEP 8 MON: FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

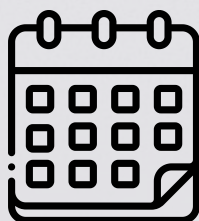
SEP 13 SAT: FEAST OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

SEP 21 SUN: FEAST OF SAINT MATHEW, THE APOSTLE

SEP 27 SAT: FEAST OF SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

SEP 29 MON: FEAST OF ARCHANGELS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL

SEP 30 TUE: FEAST OF SAINT JEROME





CATECHISM CORNER

UPDATES

SAINT OF THE WEEK

SAINT AUGUSTINE
FEAST DAY: AUGUST
28TH

PATRONAGE:
BREWERS, PRINTERS,
THEOLOGIANs,
PHILOSOPHERS

VERSE OF THE WEEK

MATHEW 7:12

**TREAT OTHERS HOW YOU
WOULD LIKE TO BE
TREATED, THIS IS THE
LAW AND THE PROPHETS**



BIBLE PASSAGE

- **LEVITICUS 19:1-4, 9-14**
- **ISAIAH 29:19-21**
- **1 THESSALONIANS 2:1-12**
- **LUKE 17:11-19**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

QURBANA SCHEDULE

MON - FRI: 9:00 AM (MAL)
7:00 PM (MAL)

SATURDAY: 9:30 AM (MAL)

SUNDAY: 7:30 AM (MAL - SOLEMN)
9:30 AM (ENG)
11:30 AM (MAL)

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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