

# ANGEL VOICE

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#### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

- 7:30 AM MALAYALAM QURBANA (SOLEMN)
- 9:30 AM ENGLISH QURBANA
- ◆11:30 AM MALAYALAM QURBANA

### **Q** Readings

Sunday, October 5, 2025 Fifth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses

- Deut 11:1-9 Promised land is God's gift
- Is 40:12-17 God is great
- 2 Cor 2:12-17 We are the aroma of Christ to God
- Mt 20:1-6 God's righteousness surpasses man's justice

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### VICAR'S MESSAGE

#### OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

Dear Parishioners,

The Church dedicates the month of October to the **Holy Rosary**, a powerful prayer that has shaped the spiritual life of Catholics for centuries. From October 1st until October 31st, we will pray the Rosary daily—before or after the Holy Qurbana. I invite every family, child, youth, and elder of our parish to unite in this devotion, seeking the intercession of our Blessed Mother for our parish and our families.

#### The Origin of the Rosary

The devotion to the Rosary developed in the Middle Ages. Monks and lay faithful, unable to recite the 150 Psalms regularly, began substituting them with the repetition of prayers. At first, 150 *Our Fathers* were prayed using beads. Over time, this devotion evolved into 150 *Hail Marys*, organized into sets of mysteries meditating on the life of Jesus and Mary. The Rosary thus became the "Psalter of Mary," allowing everyone—not just the clergy—to participate in a prayer parallel to the Psalms.

#### The Rosary in the Church's Tradition

The Blessed Virgin Mary herself has repeatedly promoted the Rosary through her apparitions—especially at Lourdes and Fatima—urging us to pray it daily for peace, conversion, and protection from evil. Saints like Dominic, Louis de Montfort, and John Paul II also championed it as a sure path to holiness. History reminds us that in 1571, at the **Battle of Lepanto**, Christian forces triumphed over the Ottoman fleet through the power of the Rosary, prayed fervently throughout Italy at the request of Pope Pius V. This victory saved Christendom and is still celebrated on October 7th as the **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary**.

#### The Rosary for Our Families and Parish

The Rosary is not only a prayer of history but also of the present. In a world where families face distractions, pressures, and temptations, the daily Rosary strengthens unity, fosters peace at home, and brings God's blessings. I especially urge parents to pray the Rosary daily with your children. It will form their faith, protect them from dangers, and guide them to holiness.

During this month, let us pray in a special way for:

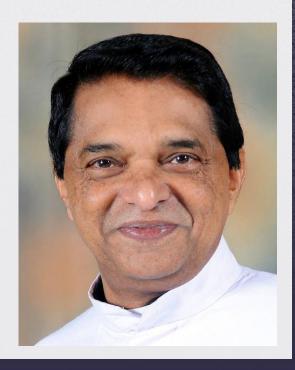
- Our children, teens, and youth, that they may be blessed spiritually, educationally, morally, and in their future careers.
- Our main feast sponsors, youth leaders, and parish volunteers, that their efforts may bring grace and unity to our parish.
- **The success of our Parish Feast**, culminating on October 19th, that it may strengthen our faith and glorify God through the intercession of our Blessed Mother.

# VICAR'S MESSAGE

Dear brothers and sisters, the Rosary is not just a devotion of words but a meditation on the mysteries of Christ's life, death, and resurrection. It unites us with Mary, who always leads us to her Son. As Pope St. John Paul II beautifully said, the Rosary is "a prayer both so humble and simple and theologically rich in Biblical content."

Let us take up our Rosaries with devotion this October. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of the Rosary, intercede for us and guide our parish to holiness, unity, and peace.

With love and prayers, Fr. Abraham Mutholath Pastor





# UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- <u>Homily on Matthew 15:21–28 Canaanite Woman by Fr. Abraham Mutholath on September 28, 2025 in Houston</u>
- Next Baptism preparation class via zoom will be held on Tuesday, September 30th at 8:30 P.M. Access code is 345 345 1911.
- October is month for rosary devotion. So throughout October, we will have rosary devotion associated with Holy Qurbana.
- This Friday, October 3rd, being the first Friday of the month, we will have adoration after 7:00 P.M. Qurbana.
- We will have blessing of birthdays and wedding anniversaries of October next Sunday, October 5.
- We are close to the celebration of the main feast of parish ending on October 17–19. Since our High Schoolers and youth are the sponsors, please encourage them to be active in the feast and give the sponsorship amount if they have not given so. For those who are students or have no income of their own, parents please support them.
- Meeting of Youth for our main feast will be held after 11:30 A.M. Qurbana on Sunday, October 5.
- Sacred Heart Koodarayogam will be held next Sunday, 10/5, at 7:00 P.M. at the house of Rarichan Chennattu.
- All koodarayogams officers please arrange koodarayogams after the main feast in the October and November.
- There will be CCD for Special children on every Saturday from 10.30 am to 11.30 am



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• The Cherupushpa Mission League (CML) organized a diocesan-level Digital Poster Making Contest, and we are proud to announce the winners from the **Knanaya Region:** 

• First Place in the region and third place in the diocesan level is Helena Luke Kariparampil, Houston

- o Second Place in the region is Nessa Luke Kariparampil, Houston
- CML organized Biblia, a Bible reading challenge for all kids in the diocese. They are:
  - Allen John & Alina A John
  - Jayden Stephen & Jeremy Stephen Mangatt
  - Elsa Mathew & Anna Mathew
  - Isaac Thomas & Elisha Thomas Vattamattathil
  - Evana Joseph
  - Nessa Kariparampil
  - Joshua Puthenpurayil
- As requested by the Parish Council held on September 23, 2025, we are presenting some of the concerns and decisions made in that meeting:
  - The parish council expressed condolences at the demise of our former mission director Rev. Fr. Joseph Manappuram and prayed for the repose of his soul.
  - The Parish Council unanimously condemned the actions of certain individuals who, on September 14, 2025, aggressively confronted our Vicar after 9:30 A.M. Qurbana. They shouted, insulted, and pressured him to reverse the Parish Council's decision to discontinue snacks in the Catechism program, despite his willingness to bring their request back for reconsideration. They further undermined the Council's authority, ridiculed Vicar with false accusations, and secretly recorded and circulated the exchange on social media, causing scandal and harm to the parish's reputation.



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- The Council noted that this incident was not isolated, as these individuals have repeatedly disrupted parish meetings and shown disrespect in the past. While the Vicar has responded with patience and forgiveness, their actions continue to disturb the peace and unity of the parish. The Parish Council calls upon all parishioners to stand firm in safeguarding the dignity of the parish, to support clergy and leadership, and to preserve the spirit of prayer, unity, and harmony that characterizes our parish.
- Based on this issue, the parish council decided the following:
  - Personal insults towards priests, trustees, or other church officials are strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. Appropriate legal actions will be taken against individuals who engage in such conduct henceforth. Trustees and church officials should contact law enforcement when verbal abuse, emotional disturbance, or illegal conduct occurs.
  - No group shall be allowed to meet the vicar without his permission.
     However, individuals and family can meet and express their needs and concerns to him.
  - Recording or publishing meetings in the church and parish announcements without authorization is strictly prohibited.
  - The parish council discussed the issue of stopping snacks for catechism students. All the members unanimously agreed to stick to the reasonable decision of the parish council on April 26, 2025, to stop the distribution of snacks. However, considering the concern of some parents that they did not get prior notice, it is resolved that snacks shall be given during this academic year as an exception to all catechism students. No more snacks shall be given from next academic year.



# WEDDING BANNS

- Tomin Philip son of Philip and Annamma Chennathil Polackal from this parish with Riya Sunny, daughter of Sunny and Alphonsa Chirakkuzhi-Puthenpura from St. Roch's Knanaya Catholic Church, Areekkara to be held on January 14, 2026. (First Bann)
- Tinu Philip son of Philip and Annamma Chennathil Polackal from this parish with Laya Mary Francis daughter of Francis and Mini Kakkanattu from St. Thomas Knanaya Catholic Old Church Punnathura to be held of January 17, 2026.
   (First Bann)





#### Pricing and Amenities

- \$975 for 2 (Inside room)-Including all taxes and port fees.
   Initial deposit- \$75/person due within 3 days of booking.
- \$50 Onboard Credit
- All meals-buffet main dining room for dinner
- Separate space for group prayers every day
- 1 hour shared cocktail party

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#### Price does not include:

- Gratuities-\$64/person for the entire cruise
- Internet Package

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# **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### SEPTEMBER 2025

SEP 30 TUE: FEAST OF SAINT JEROME

#### OCTOBER 2025

OCT 1 WED: FEAST OF SAINT THERESE OF CHILD JESUS

OCT 2 THU: FEAST OF THE GUARDIAN ANGELS

**OCT 4 SAT: FEAST OF SAINT FRANCIS ASSISI** 

OCT 7 TUE: FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

OCT 15 WED: FEAST OF SAINT THERESA OF AVILA

OCT 16 THU: FEAST OF BLESSED THEVARPARAMPIL

KUNJACHAN

OCT 17 FRI: FEAST OF SAINT IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

OCT 18 SAT: FEAST OF SAINT LUKE, THE EVANGELIST

**OCT 19 SUN: MISSION SUNDAY** 

OCT 22 WED: FEAST OF SAINT JOHN PAUL II

OCT 28 TUE: FEASTS OF SAINT SIMON AND SAINT JUDE,

THE APOSTLES



# CATECHISM CORNER

**UPDATES** 

# SAINT OF THE WEEK

SAINT THERESE OF LISIEUX FEAST DAY: OCTOBER 1

PATRONAGE: MISSIONS,
FRANCE, GARDENERS,
AND THOSE
SUFFERRING WITH
MENTAL ILLNESS



# VERSE OF THE WEEK

#### PROVERBS 20:3

IT IS TO ONE'S HONOR TO AVOID STRIFE, BUT EVERY FOOL IS QUICK TO QUARREL



# **BIBLE PASSAGE**

- **DEUTRONOMY**11:1-9
- ISAIAH 40:12-17
- 2 CORINTHIANS 2:12-17
- MATHEW 20:1-16

# 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)

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENTS

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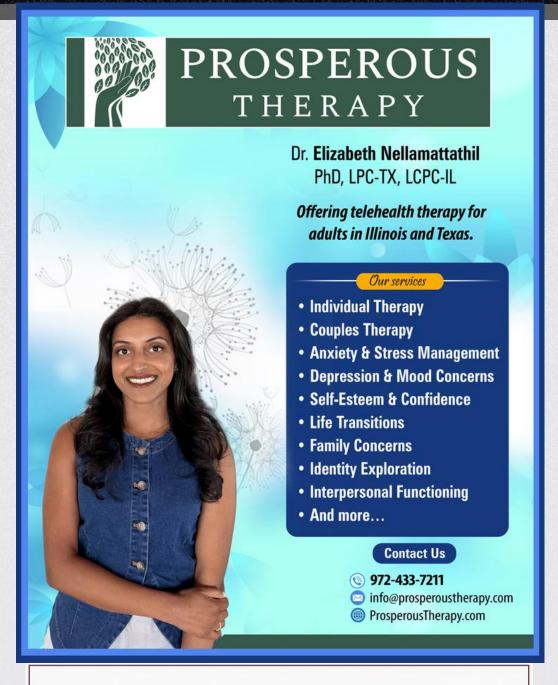
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