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## 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

### Readings

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Easter Sunday

- Isa 60: 1-7 Glory of the Lord has risen upon you
- 1 Sam 2:1-10 My heart exults in the Lord
- Rom 5:20-6:23 Dying and rising with Christ
- Mt 28:1-6 The Resurrection of Jesus

## VICAR'S MESSAGE

### HOLY WEEK: OUR PASSOVER AND RENEWAL IN CHRIST

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

As we enter Holy Week, the Church invites us not merely to recall what Jesus did in the past, but to walk with Him, to encounter His saving love, and to renew our lives in Him.

Our journey begins with the meaning of **Passover**. In the Old Testament, Passover was the great moment of deliverance for the people of Israel. God freed them from slavery in Egypt through the blood of the lamb (Ex 12). That night of liberation became the foundation of their identity as God's chosen people.

This Old Testament Passover finds its fulfillment in Jesus. He is the **true Paschal Lamb**. Through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection, He delivers us—not from physical slavery, but from sin and death. What began in Egypt reaches its completion on Calvary. Holy Week, therefore, becomes our Passover—the passage from sin to grace, from darkness to light.

On Holy Thursday, we are taken into the Upper Room. There, Jesus celebrates the Passover with His disciples, giving it a new and eternal meaning. Taking bread and wine, He declares, “This is my Body... This is my Blood” (Mt 26:26–28). In that sacred moment, He institutes the **Holy Eucharist**, offering Himself as our spiritual nourishment for all generations.

At the same time, Jesus establishes the **priesthood**, entrusting His apostles with the command, “Do this in memory of me” (Lk 22:19). From that moment, the Church continues His sacrifice through the Holy Qurbana, making present the mystery of salvation in every age.

Before offering Himself in the Eucharist, Jesus performs a profound act of humility—He **washes the feet of His disciples** (Jn 13:1–15). The Master becomes a servant. Through this gesture, He teaches us that true greatness lies in humble service and self-giving love. Holy Week reminds us that our faith must be lived not only in worship, but also in loving service to one another.

Then we arrive at **Passion Friday**, where we stand at the foot of the Cross. Here, the meaning of the Eucharist is fully revealed. The Body given and the Blood poured out at the Last Supper are now offered on Calvary. Jesus, the Lamb of God, sacrifices Himself for our salvation. His Cross becomes the new Passover sacrifice—the price of our redemption.

**Holy Saturday** invites us into silence, waiting, and hope. Through the blessing of Holy Water, we remember that in Baptism we share in Christ's death and resurrection (Rom 6:3–4). The Paschal candle is lit, and its light spreads among the faithful. We then renew our Baptismal promises—rejecting sin and choosing to live as children of God. Holding lighted candles, we recommit ourselves to a new life in Christ.

## VICAR'S MESSAGE

Finally, the Easter Vigil proclaims the great truth: **Christ is risen!** The tomb is empty. Death has been conquered. A new life has begun.

Dear friends, Holy Week is our invitation to renewal. It calls us to move:

- from sin to forgiveness,
- from indifference to love,
- from selfishness to service,
- from darkness to the light of Christ.

Let us enter these sacred days with faith and devotion. Let us participate fully in the liturgies, reflect deeply on Christ's love, and allow Him to transform our lives.

May this Holy Week become a true Passover for each of us—a passage into a renewed life in Jesus.

**Wishing you an Easter filled with the joy of the Risen Lord!**

Fr. Abraham Mutholath  
Pastor / Vicar





## UPCOMING EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- [Palm Sunday Homily based on Luke 19:28-40 by Fr. Abraham Mutholath in Houston on March 29, 2026.](#)
- **Congratulations to Sr. Paula Marie who had her final profession as member of Disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ on December 13, 2025. Congratulations also to her parents Babu and Laisa Parayamkalayil.**
- **Schedule of Holy Week:**
  - **Holy Thursday: No morning Qurbana**
    - 5:00 P.M. English Qurbana with washing of feet
    - 7:00 P.M. Malayalam Qurbana with washing of feet
    - (No common Pesaha appam cutting)
  - **Passion Friday:**
    - 9:30 A.M. English Service with Stations of the Cross
    - 5:45 P.M. Stations of the Cross
    - 7:00 P.M. Service in Malayalam
  - **Holy Saturday:**
    - 9:30 A.M. Blessing of Candles, Water, Renewal of Baptismal promises and Holy Qurbana.
    - You may bring holy water bottle and candle or purchase at the reception counter.
  - **Easter Vigil on Saturday:**
    - 5:00 P.M. English Qurbana with Easter Vigil Liturgy.
    - 7:00 pm Malayalam Qurbana with Easter Vigil liturgy
    - (Careful parking for maximum use)
  - **EASTER SUNDAY (April 5)**
    - 9:00 am Holy Qurbana in Malayalam
    - (No 9:30 and 11:30 Qurbana)
- **One priest will be available from outside for Confession on Wednesday, 4/1, from 7:00 P.M. for those who could not get chance for confession during these days.**
- **Some more seats for singles and families are available for Cruise to Mexico from June 4 to 8. Please contact the travel agent Mr. Michael ASAP if you would like to join.**



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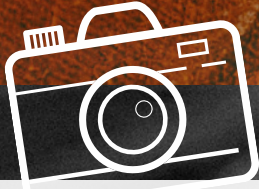
- **Pre-marriage course in Houston from May 15 to 17. Registration started. For registration and details, please contact Tonny Pullappally at 630-205-5078 or e-mail: tonnyjohn@hotmail.com**
- **Holy Childhood has been organizing a charity good deed project. Thanks to the parents who support them. The fund raised will be given to support the poor children in India. Donations can be handed over to Sr. Joicy, Sr. Reji or Gino Vellian today or this week no later than next Sunday. The total amount collected along with recognition of children donated will be done April 12.**
- **Knanaya region is organizing nadavili and marthoman song competition. Students from grades 4-10 can participate. Those who are interested in this, please contact Sheeba Thannichuvattil or Kesiya poovapadathu.**



# WEDDING BANNS

- **Jake Pullukat, son of Minu and Reni Pullukat from Sacred Heart Knanaya Catholic Parish, Tampa with Aleena Mathew, daughter of Mathew and Molly Vattakkottayil from this parish to be held on August 22, 2026. (Third Bann)**
- **Athul Joe Johnson, son of Johnson and Mercy Kuttikkattumkara from this parish with Sherin Maria Sabu, daughter of Sabu and Shali Kaniamparambil also from this parish to be held on May 30, 2026. (Second Bann)**
- **Vimal, son of George and Lizy Thottapurathu from St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Pairsh, Chicago with Anita, daughter of Lukose and Salimol Neicheril from this parish to be held on September 12, 2026. (Second Bann)**





# SNAPSHOTS

**PHOTOS OF PALM SUNDAY SERVICE IN MALAYALAM AT 7:30 A.M. BY FR. THOMAS ANIMOOTTIL**





# SNAPSHOTS

## PALM SUNDAY ENGLISH SERVICE





# SNAPSHOTS

## SENIOR MINISTRY



## UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. MARY'S KNANAYA CATHOLIC FORANE PARISH – HOUSTON



# HOLY WEEK

## SCHEDULE 2026




### 1. PALM SUNDAY – March 29

- ◆ **7:30 AM – First Mass**  
Palm leaves blessing, procession, and Holy Qurbana in Malayalam.
- ◆ **10:30 AM – Second Mass**  
English Holy Qurbana with plrh palm leaves distribution.
- ◆ **7:30 PM – Third Mass**  
Malayalam Holy Qurbana with palm leaves distribution.

### 2. HOLY THURSDAY – April 2

- ◆ **5:00 PM** – English Holy Qurbana with Holy Thursday Liturgy
- ◆ **7:00 PM** – Malayalam Holy Qurbana with Holy Thursday Liturgy  
(No morning Qurbana)

Holy Thursday collection will be taken for the training expenses of seminarians.



### 3. PASSION FRIDAY – April 3

- ◆ **9:30 AM** – Passion Friday Liturgy (English)
- ◆ **5:45 PM** – Stations of the Cross (Malayalam)
- ◆ **7:00 PM** – Passion Friday Liturgy (Malayalam)



### 4. HOLY SATURDAY – April 4

- ◆ **9:30 AM** – Malayalam Holy Qurbana with Holy Saturday Liturgy  
(Candles and Holy Water bottles will be available for purchase)



### 5. EASTER VIGIL – Saturday, April 4

- ◆ **5:00 PM** – English Holy Qurbana with Easter Vigil Liturgy
- ◆ **7:00 PM** – Malayalam Holy Qurbana with Easter Vigil Liturgy  
(Please park carefully to allow maximum use of parking space.)



### 6. EASTER SUNDAY – April 5

- ◆ **9:00 AM** – Holy Qurbana in Malayalam  
(No 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Qurbana.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

**KNANAYA CATHOLIC REGION**

**PRE-MARRIAGE COURSE IN HOUSTON**

*Preparation for the Sacrament of Matrimony*



The **Knanaya Catholic Region** is organizing a **Pre-Marriage Course** for engaged couples preparing for the *Sacrament of Marriage* in the Catholic Church.

*Helping you prepare spiritually, emotionally & practically for Christian married life.*

*Engaged couples and unmarried youth preparing for marriage are encouraged to attend.*



**COURSE DATES**

Friday, May 15, 2026 - 4:00 PM  
Sunday, May 17, 2026 - 1:00 PM



**VENUE**

St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Church,  
6400 W. Fuqua Dr.  
Missouri City, TX 77489

**PROGRAM INCLUDES:**

- ◆ Sacrament of Matrimony
- ◆ Christian Family Life & Communication
- ◆ Spiritual Preparation for Marriage
- ◆ Sessions with Priests & Experienced Couples

**REGISTRATION & DETAILS:**

**Tonny Pullappally** • 630-205-5078 • tonnyjohn@hotmail.com

All engaged couples and unmarried youth in the Knanaya Catholic community are encouraged to attend!



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## IMPORTANT DATES

### APRIL 2026

**APR 2 THU: MAUNDY THURSDAY**

**APR 3 FRI: PASSION FRIDAY**

**APR 4 SAT: GREAT SATURDAY**

**APR 5 SUN: EASTER SUNDAY**

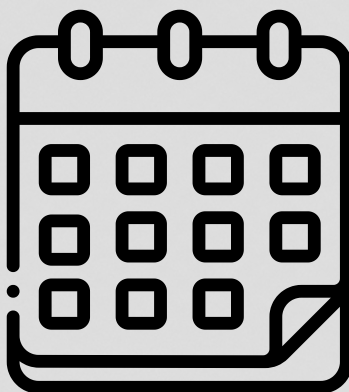
**APR 10 FRI: FEAST OF ALL SAINTS**

**APR 24 FRI: FEAST OF ST. GEORGE**

**APR 25 SAT: FEAST OF ST. MARK, THE EVANGELIST**

**APR 26 SUN: WORLD PRAYER DAY FOR VOCATIONS**

**APR 29 WED: FEAST OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENNA**



**KOODARAYOGAM ASSIGNMENTS  
for Cleaning, Reading, Family Blessing etc**

**January - Sacred Heart**

**February - St. Pius X**

**March - St. Jude**

**April - St. Thomas**

**May- St. Ann & St. Christopher**

**June - St. Michael**

**July - St. Xavier**

**August - St. Theresa**

**September - Holy Family**

**October - St. Alphonsa & St. George**

**November - St. Stephen**

**December - St. Antony**



# CATECHISM CORNER

UPDATES

## SAINT OF THE WEEK

**ST. VINCENT FERRER**

**APRIL 5**

**PATRONAGE:**

**BUILDERS, PRISONERS,  
CONSTRUCTION  
WORKERS, PLUMBERS**



## BIBLE PASSAGE

- **ISAIAH 60: 1-7**
- **1 SAMUEL 2:1-10**
- **ROMANS 5:20-6:23**
- **MATHEW 28:1-6**

## VERSE OF THE WEEK

**1 PETER 1:13**

THEREFORE, GIRD UP THE LOINS OF YOUR MIND, + LIVE SOBERLY, AND SET YOUR HOPES COMPLETELY ON THE GRACE TO BE BROUGHT TO YOU AT THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST.

# 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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PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENTS

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