

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Thursday
9.00am
(Morning Prayer 8:45)
Friday - 7.30pm
(Rosary 7.00pm)
1st Friday - 7.30pm
(Adoration - 7.00pm
Rosary - 6.30pm)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday - 9.00am
(Morning Prayer 8:45)
Sunday - 9.45am

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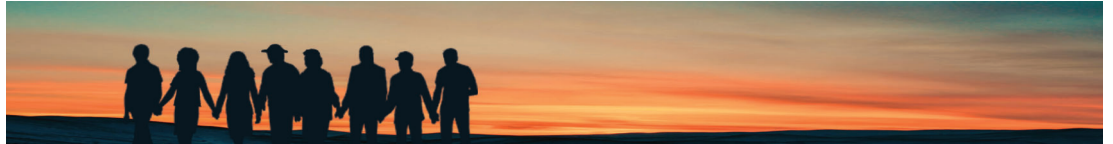
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ചന്ദ്രകളഭം ചാർത്തിയുറങ്ങും തീരം
ഇന്ദ്രധനുസ്സിൻ തൂവൽ പൊഴിയും തീരം
ഈ മനോഹര തീരത്ത് തരുമോ
ഇനിയൊരു ജന്മംകൂടി

പഴയൊരു സിനിമാപ്പാട്ടു മുളി പാട്ടുപ്പെട്ടി നിലച്ചതേയുള്ളൂ. ജീവിതാസ്തമയത്തിലെ തിരിഞ്ഞ് നോട്ടമാണത്. ജീവിക്കാൻ മറന്നുപോകുന്ന ഈ നിമിഷത്തിന്റെ വശ്യത ഒരു നഷ്ടപ്രണയംപോലെ എന്റെ വരുംകാലത്തെ പൊള്ളിക്കുമോ? എന്തിനാണീ സങ്കടങ്ങളുടെ മഴപ്പെയ്ത്തുകൾ? നമുക്ക് ഈ നിമിഷത്തിന്റെ സൗന്ദര്യത്തിൽ ജീവിക്കാം. മഴയിൽ നനഞ്ഞും മഞ്ഞിൽ തണുത്തും വേനലിൽ വിയർത്തും വസന്തങ്ങളെമാത്രം മനസ്സിൽ സൂക്ഷിച്ചും... ആരേയും ഒരു നോട്ടം കൊണ്ടുപോലും വേദനിപ്പിക്കാതെ... അങ്ങനെ... അപ്പോൾ ഈ നിമിഷം മാത്രമല്ല ജീവിതത്തിന്റെ അസ്തമയം പോലും ഒരു ആഘോഷമാണ് - നിറപ്പകിട്ടാർന്ന ഒരു വർണ്ണോത്സവം.

പക്ഷേ നേടിയെടുക്കാനും കൈപ്പിടിയിലൊതുക്കാനും സ്വന്തമാക്കാനുമുള്ള തീവ്രമായ തിരക്കുകൾക്കിടയിൽ നാം നമ്മളെ മറന്നു. ജീവിക്കാൻ മറന്നു. ചിരിമാഞ്ഞ ജീവിതത്തിനു മുകളിലൂടെ ചിത്രശലഭങ്ങൾ ചിരകിട്ടി പറന്നതും നിലാവിലെ മഞ്ഞുതുള്ളി കാൽവീരലുകളെ നനയിച്ചതും മഴയുടെ സംഗീതത്തിനു കാരോർത്തു നിന്നതും നാമറിഞ്ഞതേയില്ല..

ഇനിയീ വയൽ വരമ്പിൽ അസ്തമയ സൂര്യന്റെ കാൽപ്പാടുകൾ കാത്തുകാത്തിരിക്കവേ, നരവീണ ഭാവിക്കാലം കാലത്തിന്റെ കളിച്ചെപ്പിൽ വെച്ചെന്ന വെളുത്ത പനിനീർ പൂക്കൾ കൊണ്ടലങ്കരിക്കും മുൻപ് ഉരുകി തീരുന്ന മെഴുകുതിരികൾക്കും കുന്തിരിക്ക പൂക്കുമിടയിലൂടെ പുരോഹിതൻ തന്റെ വിലാപഗാനമാലപിക്കും മുൻപ് സ്നേഹത്തിന്റെ നന്മയുടെ ഈ ഭൂമിയിലേക്ക് നമുക്ക് ഇറങ്ങി നടക്കാം. ആസൂരതകളുടേയും അധീശത്വത്തിന്റേയും മേലങ്കികൾ ഉരിഞ്ഞ് മാറ്റി പൊടിമണ്ണിലേക്കും കിഴക്കൻ കാറ്റിലേക്കും ഊർന്ന് വീണ മഴയുടെ ഗർഗദങ്ങൾ തീർത്ത നനവുള്ളകിനാക്കളുടെ മന്ത്രക്കോടികളുണിയാം. ഒറ്റയാന്റെ ഏകാന്ത സ്വർഗ്ഗങ്ങളിൽനിന്നും സൗഹൃദത്തിന്റെ പച്ചമരത്തണലുകളിലേക്ക് നമുക്കൊരുമിച്ച് യാത്രയാകാം - മൂനിലും പിന്നിലുമായല്ല ഒരുമിച്ച്.

Albert Camus എഴുതുന്നതുപോലെ...

Don't walk behind me: I may not lead

Don't walk in front of me: I may not follow

Just walk beside me and be my friend

വളരെ ചുരുങ്ങിയ നിമിഷങ്ങളുടെ ഇടവേളകളിൽ വിരുന്നുകാരായെത്തുന്ന നമ്മളെതിന് നമ്മളിൽ ഒരാൾ സുൽത്താനും മറ്റൊരാൾ യാചകനുമാകണം? അപ്രതീക്ഷിതമായ ഒരുവിളിക്കു മറുമാഴി ചൊല്ലി ഭൂമിയെന്ന വഴിയമ്പലത്തിൽ നിന്ന് പിരിഞ്ഞ് പോകേണ്ടവരല്ലേ നാം. ഒരുനാൾ പടിയിറങ്ങിവന്ന അതേ പിതൃവേനത്തിലേക്ക് മടങ്ങി പോകേണ്ടവർ. പിന്നെന്തിനീ വലിഞ്ഞ് കെട്ടിയമുഖവും ഞാനെന്ന ഭാവവും!

വരു - നമുക്കൊരുമിച്ച് കൈകോർത്ത് നീങ്ങാം

സജിയച്ചൻ

Bulletin committee is pleased to invite your inspiring messages for this page. The messages should be emailed to saji27775@gmail.com, latest by 15 August, 2019. Open themes for the upcoming issues are (1) Breaking Bad Habits, (2) Living with Purpose, (3) Healing and Forgiveness (4) Staying Focussed. (350 words only). The best messages will be published in upcoming parish newsletters.

PARISH COUNCIL 2019 -2020

Fr Saji John Valiyaveetil Parish Priest (Ex-Officio Member)	Aji John Trustee (Ex-Officio Member)	Antony Mathew Trustee (Ex-Officio Member)	George P Varkey (Babychen) Trustee (Ex-Officio Member)
Biju Manchappilly Pastoral Council Rep (Ex-Officio)	Alosious George St Mary's - Elected Member	Tomsy Augustine St Mary's - Elected Member	Bino Thomas St Thomas - Elected Member
Rarichen Mathew St Thomas - Elected Member	Anies Wilson St Theresa - Elected Member	George P Varkey (Babychen) St Alphonsa - Elected Member	Robin Thomas St Paul - Elected Member
Paul Singh St Paul - Elected Member	Saneesh Joseph St Joseph - Elected Member	Shajan Varghese St Joseph - Elected Member	Jiji Joseph St Antony - Elected Member
George Abraham St Benedict - Elected Member	James Varghese Holy Spirit - Elected Member	Sunil Varghese Holy Spirit - Elected Member	Tomy Chethimattom St Mary McKillop - Elected Member
Steve George (SMYM) - Elected Member	Deepa Sebastian (Catechism) - Elected Member	Ancy Jomon (Nurses Ministry) - Elected Member	Jolly Karumathy (Safety Officer) - Nominated Member
Saji Varghese (Build. Committee) - Nom. Member	Ushas Symon (Website) - Nominated Member		

CATECHISM

Feast of St. Maria Goretti Celebrated on 14 July 2019. The grades from 5 to 8 performed spectacular programs.

Bible Quiz Conducted on Sunday, 21 July 2019.

Feast of St. John Maria Vianney The feast of St. John Maria Vianney, who is patron of parish priests, will be celebrated on the 4th of August.

Award Distribution Certificates will be awarded to 2018 Year 12 students on 01 Sep 2019.

Farewell to our previous Kaikkarans & Secretary



Words can neither qualify nor quantify how helpful the guidance and advice has been. We are forever grateful for the support from both Kaikkarans George Varkey, Antony Pullicodu and Secretary Sheen Paul. Much appreciated for your time and efforts to our parish.

We are so grateful to our first parish priest Rev Fr Peter Kavumpuram, who has blessed us with his presence on this occasion.

DARSHANAM 2019



Darshanam 2019 was conducted on 20 July from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm at Craigslea State High School auditorium. Celebrations started with Holy Mass celebrated by Rev Fr. Varghese Vavolil and Rev Fr. Saji Valiyaveetil followed by a public meeting and a spectacular cultural event.

THIRUNAL 2019



In keeping with the traditions of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church, the feast of the Holy Mother of God, St. Alphonsa, and St. Mary MacKillop was solemnly celebrated by the St Alphonsa Parish Brisbane from the 19th to 28th of July 2019 at St John's Church, Northgate, Brisbane. On Sunday 28th of July, the celebration commenced with the Solemn High Mass (in Malayalam). Fr. Anto Chiriyankandath was the main celebrant.

The culmination of the liturgical celebration occurred with the procession, followed by fireworks and a social meal which was well attended by nearly 1,200 people. In the Syro-Malabar Rite, the procession depicts the traditional feast. The faithful dressed in traditional Kerala attires were accompanied by the rhythmic beats of the Irish band, to celebrate the life and intercessory works of St Alphonsa. In conclusion, the feast had a significant spiritual influence on the community.



OFFERINGS WILL BE APPRECIATED

HOST AND WINE, CANDLES \$100.00 for one month

AUGUST offerings by: JOMON CHACKO & FAMILY Thank you

Newsletter Release



Father Tom Uzhunnalil's parish visit at the end of June was an insightful experience in which he shared his story of being taken by terrorists in Yemen. The first copy of our new parish newsletter was presented to Fr. Tom by the trustees and our parish priest. This represented the release of the first issue of our monthly newsletter.

Installation of new Trustees



Syro-Malabar Eparchy of St Thomas the Apostle, Melbourne has appointed Aji John Puliyankattil, Antony Mathew Panamthanam and George Varkey Poovathinkal as Trustees of the Parish on 14th July 2019 for 2019 to 2020. Warmest congratulations to our new Trustees!

Launch of new Website



The official website of St Alphonsa Parish, Brisbane North www.stalphonsaparishbrisbane.org.au is up and running, offering a range of information to the Parish community. On Saturday, July 27th, Rev Fr Abraham Kazhunadiyil, the Vicar of St Thomas Parish Brisbane South, inaugurated the parish website after the Holy Mass in the presence of Rev Fr Saji Valiyaveetil and Rev Fr Anto Chiriyankandath.

Website coordinator Ushas Symon gave a brief overview of the website and its contents. This mobile-friendly website enables you to find out more about our parish community, the Mass times, parish team, ministries and many more.



The SMYM regional conference was held on the 13th of July with approximately sixty Youths attending the day-long event packed with Holy Mass, discussions, talks and music. The opening address, 'Do you know Him?' given by Fr. Saji Valiyaveetil, focused on building a relationship with Christ. SMYM director Sojin Sebastian and national co-ordinator Jestin Tom then engaged the youth in sessions about their Syro-Malabar identity as well as the activities of SMYM. Participants also received valuable insights from their peers on topics such as Adoration and Eucharist.

READINGS - AUGUST 2019

Day/Date	Notes	1st Reading	2nd Reading	Gospel Reading
4 Aug - Sun	Second Sunday of Kaitha	Deut 4: 32 - 4 Vini Hormis	2 Cor 3: 4-12 Joan Jomon	Lk 15: 11-32
11 Aug - Sun	Third Sunday of Kaitha	Deut 5: 6 - 16 Binu Chacko	2 Cor 7: 1-11 Alice Alosious	Jn 9: 1-12
18 Aug - Sun	Fourth Sunday of Kaitha	Deut 5: 16 - 24 Jiji Joseph	2 Cor 10: 12-18 Lali Alukka	Mk 7: 1-13
25 Aug - Sun	Fifth Sunday of Kaitha	Is 28: 14 - 22 Littisha Varghese	2 Cor 12: 14 - 21 Neha George	Lk 16: 19-31

UPCOMING MEETINGS

11/08/2019	Sun	Pothuyogam (Agenda Feast 2019)	11.00 am	18/08/2019	Sun	Mathruvedhi Executive Committee	11.00 am
14/08/2019	Wed	Website Committee	05.00 pm	21/08/2019	Wed	Building Committee Executive	06.30 pm
17/08/2019	Sat	Parish Council Meeting	05.00 pm	25/08/2019	Sun	Building Committee General Boady	11.00 am

IMPORTANT DAYS

04/08/2019	Sunday	Feast of St. John Maria Vianney, Patron saint of Diocesan priests	09.45 am
15/08/2019	Thursday	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	07.00 pm

NO HOLY MASS ON 10th AUGUST Catholic Charismatic Renewal Brisbane is conducting a half day program at Northgate Parish on 10th of August from 09.00 Am to 01.00pm with lunch (bring a plate). All our parishioners are invited for this program specially for Charismatic talk (11.00 Am) and Mass (12.00 pm). No Syro Malabar mass on that day.

SACRISTIAN'S ROSTER

02/08	Fri	7.00 pm	Bino, Alan	23/08/	Fri	7.00 pm	Rarichan, Alan
04/08	Sun	9.30 am	Rarichan, Alan	25/08/	Sun	9.30 am	Bino, Alan
09/08	Fri	7.00 pm	Bino, Alan	30/08/	Fri	7.00 pm	Rarichan, Bino
11/08	Sun	9.30 am	Rarichan, Bino	Mon		8.30 am	Alan
15/08	Thu	6.30 pm	Rarichan, Alan	Wed		8.30 am	Bino
16/08	Fri	7.00 pm	Bino, Rarichan	Tue		8.30 am	Rarichan, Bino
18/08	Sun	9.30 am	Bino, Alan				

WARD MEETINGS

St:Antony	03/08/2019	7:00pm	Jomon T Jose, 84 Chelsea Cres, Bridgeman Downs
St:Thomas	10/08/2019	7:30pm	Bino Thomas, 12 Kildonan Street, Aspley
St:Alphonsa	13/08/2019	6:30pm	John Moozhilil, 222 Muller Road, Taigum
St Mary	18/08/2019	7:00pm	Anil Varghese, 49 Aberdeen Pl, Upper Kedron
St Paul	24/08/2019	6:30pm	Karolson, 8 Marigold Close, Fitzgibbon
Mother Theresa	24/08/2019	7:45pm	Soloman, 14 Felsman Street, Chermshire West
St Benedict	25/08/2019	7:00pm	Joby Chacko, 7 Sunstone Circuit, Mango Hill
Holy Spirit	29/08/2019	7:00pm	Joyson, 10 Crooks Street, Caboolture

COMMUNION ROSTER

02/08/	Fri	7.30 pm	Juan
04/08/	Sun	9.45 am	Smitha, Amrutha, Littisha
09/08/	Fri	7.30 pm	Benet
11/08/	Sun	9.45 am	Albin, Benet, Juan
15/08/	Thu	7.00 pm	Littisha, Amrutha, Raon
16/08/	Fri	7.30 pm	Albin
18/08/	Sun	9.45 am	Littisha, Amrutha, Raon
23/08/	Fri	7.30 pm	Juan
25/08/	Sun	9.45 am	Albin, Benet, Juan
30/08/	Fri	7.30 pm	Benet

CHURCH CLEANING

03/08/2019	St. Theresa Ward, Chermshire
10/08/2019	St. Mary's Ward, McDowall
17/08/2019	St. Antony's Ward, Aspley
24/08/2019	SMYM Youth
31/08/2019	St. Alphonsa Ward, Taigum

OFFERINGS

Sunday Mass Collection

JUNE 2019 \$4757.15

JULY 2019 \$3533.3

Building Fund Direct Debit

June 2019 \$8111

20th Wedding Anniversary
TOMY & MANJU CHETHIMATTOM
19 August 2019
"Wish you lots of Love, Joy & Happiness forever. May Almighty bless you to have more and more anniversaries together"
Happy Anniversary, Mum & Dad
 Allan & Alisha

75th Wedding Anniversary
 (Late) **Joseph & Thresiamma Chethimattom**
04 September 2019
"It would have been 75 years of togetherness"
We remember you always. With lots of love & prayers
 Allan, Alisha, Manju, Tomy & Noah, Shaju, Valsamma



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