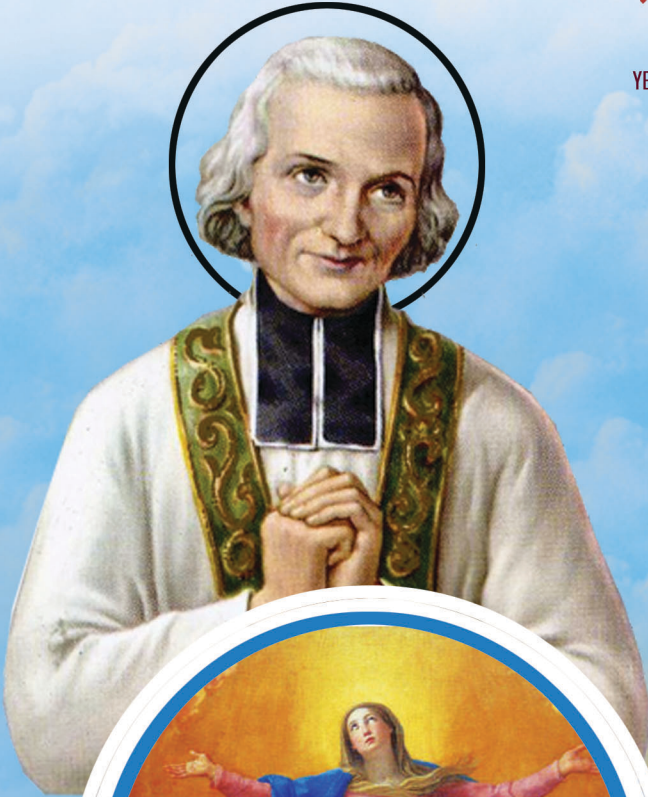


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FR. AUGUSTINE KALLUMKATHARAYIL

AUG.28

Celebrating with you on this blessed day. May your heavenly patron ever be your guardian and guide.



BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS

2021 AUGUST

Date	Time	Program
1	11.00 am 05.00 pm	Homily at St. Richards Parish Montreal Installation of Fr Jojo in St Joseph Parish Montreal.
2	10.15 am 05.15 pm	Meeting with Archbishop Christian Lepine, Archdiocese of Montreal Inauguration Video Message of New Mission at Moncton, NB
3	09.00 am 01.30 pm	ACBO Meeting Virtual Meeting with H.E. Daniel Miehm, Bishop of Peterborough
4	11.00 am 07.30 pm	Curia Meeting Thanksgiving Holy Qurbana for DA at Cathedral
5	06.30 pm	Evaluation and Planning Committee of DA
8	07.00 pm	Inauguration of Indigenous awareness program led by National Youth
9	09.00 am 11.00 am	Holy Qurbana and Inauguration of New Mission at Kelowna, BC Monthly Recollection for Priests and Sisters
10	01.30 pm	Meeting with Bishop Gregory Bittman, Diocese of Nelson
11	11.00 am 06.00 pm	Curia Meeting Holy Qurbana, First Holy Communion and Inauguration of New Mission at Castlegar, BC
12	05.30 pm 06.00 pm	Inauguration of Catholic Congress Holy Qurbana, Baptism and Inauguration of New Mission at Cranbrook, BC

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13	01.30 pm 07.00 pm	Meeting with Archbishop Michael Miller, Vancouver Parish Council Meeting at Vancouver Parish
14	09.00 am 06.00 pm	Holy Qurbana at Victoria Holy Qurbana at Abbots Ford
15	04.00 pm	First Holy Communion at Vancouver
16	01.30 pm	Return to Toronto
16-27	07.30 am	Virtual Syro Malabar Synod
18	11.00 am	Curia Meeting
21	11.00 am	First Holy Communion at Oshawa
25	11.00 am	Curia Meeting
28	11.30 am	Convention for Catechists
29	05.00 pm	First Holy Communion, Ottawa



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Prot. N. 248/2004

June 9, 2021

Your Beatitude,

This Congregation has attentively reviewed the modifications and revisions of the text of the Holy *Qurbana*, unanimously approved by the Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church, in accordance with canon 657 §1 **CCEO**.

The Dicastery gladly grants the *recognitio* to the Malayalam **Raza Qurbana Taksa**, hoping that the venerable Syro-Malabar Church may be for all others an exemplary witness of ecclesial unity, supremely expressed in the worthy and faithful celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

In particular, the Apostolic See enthusiastically anticipates great spiritual fruit from the fact that the new *editio typica* will coincide with implementation of the uniform mode of celebration for the Divine Liturgy in your Rite, whether in its simple, solemn or most solemn (*Raza*) form: as unanimously decided by Synod of Bishops in November 1999 and recently reconfirmed in January 2020, the celebrant shall face the faithful at the **Bema** during the Liturgy of the Word, turn towards the Altar — in the same direction that the faithful are facing — for the Liturgy of the Eucharist, and once again face the faithful during the concluding rites after Holy Communion.

This Congregation trusts that the people of God will abide by the decision of the Synod, and expects a cohesive commitment from every Bishop and priest of your Church *sui iuris*, both collegially and individually.

Expressing my closeness to the whole Syro-Malabar Church, I remain, with fraternal regards,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Leonardo Card. Sandri". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Leonardo Card. Sandri Prefect

Giorgio Demetrio Gallaro Archbishop Secretary

His Beatitude

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George Cardinal Alencherry Major Archbishop Syro-Malabar Church

Prot. No. 0779/2021

11 July 2021

To

All Archbishops and Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church

Dear Archbishops and Bishops,

I write this letter in continuation of my letter dated 06 July 2021 (Prot. No. 0762/2021), forwarding the Apostolic Letter of Holy Father Pope Francis, signed on 03 July 2021, addressed to the Bishops, Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Syro Malabar Church, affirming the unanimous agreement of the Synod of Bishops of the Syro-Malabar Church in 1999 for a uniform mode of celebrating the Holy Qurbana, repeatedly endorsed in subsequent years, and exhorting its prompt implementation on the occasion of recognition of the new Raza Qurbana Taksa, for the greater good and unity of our Church.

In the above referred letter, I made only a reference to the recognitio granted to the Malayalam Raza Qurbana Taksa by the Congregation for the Oriental Churches. In the meantime, there have been queries regarding the nature of recognitio granted. I am happy to state that Congregation has approved the Taksa as we have submitted, without any modification. Please find herewith attached the letter from the Congregation (Prot. N. 248/2004, dated 09 June 2021) to that effect.

As I have already written, the date of the implementation of the uniform mode of celebration of Holy Qurbana, which should be included in the Decree of promulgation in the new Taksa, shall be decided in this Session of the Synod.

Thanking you,
Yours cordially in Christ,

Cardinal George Alencherry

Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

Enclosure:

1. Letter from the Congregation for the Oriental Churches granting recognitio to the Malayalam Raza Qurbana Taksa (Prot. N. 248/2004, dated 09 June 2021)



George Cardinal Alencherry Major Archbishop Syro-Malabar Church

Prot. No. 0793/2021

20 July 2021

CIRCULAR

Observance of a Month of Prayer for the Success of the Synod

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Second Session of the XXIX Synod of the Syro-Malabar Bishops will be held online from 16 to 27 August 2021. Sixty two Bishops of the Church - from the 13 Eparchies in Kerala, 18 Eparchies outside Kerala in India, four Eparchies outside India, the Apostolic Visitation in Europe and 16 Bishops Emeriti - will be participating in this Synod.

The Synods of 2020 August and of 2021 January were held online because of Covid -19. The decision to hold online this Session of the Synod was made because of the restrictions on travel imposed due to the spread of Covid pandemic.

The Holy See has given recently approval to the revised text of our Holy Qurbana. The Holy Father has made a special exhortation through the Apostolic Letter dated 3 July 2021, for the celebration of the Holy Qurbana uniformly in all Eparchies and religious houses, on the occasion of the promulgation of the revised text. The date of implementation of this exhortation of the Holy Father will be decided in the Synod to be held in August. The prayers of all are requested for taking appropriate decisions for the implementation of the appeal for unity at all levels of the Church and for deepening the spirit of evangelization of our Church.

All are requested, hence, to observe a month of prayer from 27 July 2021 to 27 August 2021, the concluding day of the Synod. Also, those who can, are encouraged to observe all the Fridays during this month as days of fasting.

In the letter sent to our Church by the Holy Father, he has asked us to pray for him. We shall offer our prayers for his good health to lead the Church with full zeal and enthusiasm and also for his full recovery from the surgery he underwent recently.

May the grace and mercy of the Lord be showered upon our Church always and especially at the time of the Synod through the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, of St. Joseph, of St. Thomas, the Apostle of India and of three Saints and the Blesseds of our Church!



Yours cordially in Christ,

George Alencherry

Cardinal George Alencherry

**Major Archbishop of the
Syro-Malabar Church**

NB: This Circular is to be read out during the Holy Mass on Sunday, 25 July 2021, in all churches and chapels of the Syro-Malabar Church where there is Sunday Mass for the public, respecting the regulations given by the government. Copy of this Circular is to be made available through opportune means to those faithful who cannot participate in the celebration of Holy Qurbanaa in churches.



George Cardinal Alencherry Major Archbishop Syro-Malabar Church

Prot. No. 0793/2021

20 July 2021

സർക്കുലർ

സിനഡിന്റെ വിജയത്തിനായി പ്രാർഥനാമാസം

മിശിഹായിൽ പ്രിയ സഹോദരീ സഹോദരന്മാരേ,

സീറോമലബാർ സഭയിലെ മെത്രാന്മാരുടെ 29-ാം സിനഡിന്റെ രണ്ടാം സമ്മേളനം 2021 ഓഗസ്റ്റ് 16 മുതൽ 27 വരെ തീയതികളിൽ ഓൺലൈനായി നടക്കുകയാണ്. കേരളത്തിലെ 13 രൂപതകളിലെയും കേരളത്തിനു പുറത്ത് ഇന്ത്യയിലുള്ള 18 രൂപതകളിലെയും ഇന്ത്യയ്ക്കു വെളിയിലുള്ള 4 രൂപതകളിലെയും യൂറോപ്പിലെ അപ്പസ്തോലിക് വിസിസ്റ്റേഷനിലെയും 46 മെത്രാന്മാരും റിട്ടയർ ചെയ്ത 16 മെത്രാന്മാരും ഉൾപ്പെടെ 62 പേരാണ് സിനഡിൽ സംബന്ധിക്കുന്നത്.

കോവിഡ് 19-ന്റെ പശ്ചാത്തലത്തിൽ ഓഗസ്റ്റിലും ജനുവരിയിലും 2020 ഓൺലൈനായിട്ടാണു സിനഡുസമ്മേളനങ്ങൾ നടന്നത്. കോവിഡ് പകർച്ചവ്യാധി 2021 മുഖമുള്ള യാത്രാ നിയന്ത്രണങ്ങൾ കർശനമായി തുടരുന്നതിനാലാണ് ഇത്തവണയും സിനഡ് ഓൺലൈനായി നടത്താൻ തീരുമാനമായിരിക്കുന്നത്.

നമ്മുടെ സഭയുടെ നവീകരിക്കപ്പെട്ട കുർബാനക്രമത്തിനു പരിശുദ്ധ സിംഹാസനം അംഗീകാരം നൽകിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. പുതൂക്കിയ കുർബാനക്രമം നടപ്പിൽ വരുന്നതോടൊപ്പം നമ്മുടെ എല്ലാ രൂപതകളിലും സമർപ്പിത ഭവനങ്ങളിലും ഒരേ രീതിയിൽ വിശുദ്ധ കുർബാന അർപ്പിക്കണമെന്നു 2021 ജൂലൈ 3-ന് പുറപ്പെടുവിച്ച് തിരുവെഴുത്തിലൂടെ പരിശുദ്ധ പിതാവ് ഫ്രാൻസിസ് മാർപാപ്പാ പ്രത്യേകമായ ആഹ്വാനം നൽകിയിട്ടുണ്ടല്ലോ. പരിശുദ്ധ പിതാവിന്റെ ഈ ആഹ്വാനം നടപ്പിൽ വരുത്തുന്നതിനുള്ള തീയതി ആഗസ്റ്റ് മാസത്തിലെ സിനഡിൽ തീരുമാനിക്കുന്നതാണ്. നമ്മുടെ സഭയിൽ എല്ലാ തലങ്ങളിലും പൂർണ്ണമായ ഐക്യം കൈവരുന്നതിനും സഭയുടെ പ്രഷിത ചൈതന്യം പരിപോഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിനും ഉപയുക്തമായ തീരുമാനങ്ങൾ കൈക്കൊള്ളുന്നതിന് എല്ലാവരുടെയും പ്രാർഥന അഭ്യർത്ഥിക്കുന്നു.

അതിനായി, 2021 ജൂലൈ മാസം 27 മുതൽ സിനഡു സമാപിക്കുന്ന ഓഗസ്റ്റ് 27 വരെ നീണ്ടുനില്ക്കുന്ന ഒരു മാസത്തെ പ്രാർഥനാചരണത്തിനായി ഏവരെയും ആഹ്വാനം ചെയ്യുന്നു. ഈ ഒരു മാസത്തിലെ വെള്ളിയാഴ്ചകളിൽ സാധിക്കുന്ന

വരെല്ലാം ഉപവാസമെടുക്കുന്നതും ഉചിതമായിരിക്കും.

സീറോ മലബാർ സഭയ്ക്ക് പ്രത്യേകമായി എഴുതിയ കത്തിൽ തനിക്കുവേണ്ടി പ്രാർഥിക്കണമെന്നു പരിശുദ്ധ പിതാവ് അഭ്യർത്ഥിച്ചിരുന്നല്ലോ. അടുത്തകാലത്ത് ഒരു ശസ്ത്രക്രിയയ്ക്കു വിധേയനായ പരിശുദ്ധ പിതാവ് എത്രയും വേഗം ആരോഗ്യം പൂർണ്ണമായും വീണ്ടെടുക്കുന്നതിനും സാർവ്വത്രികസഭയിലെ നേതൃത്വ ശുശ്രൂഷ ഫലപ്രദമായി തുടർന്നും നിർവഹിക്കുന്നതിനും വേണ്ടി പ്രാർഥിക്കാം. നമുക്കു പ്രത്യേകം

പരിശുദ്ധ കന്യകാമറിയത്തിന്റെയും വി. യൗസേപ്പിതാവിന്റെയും ഭാരതത്തിന്റെ അപ്പസ്തോലനായ മാർ തോമാശ്ലീഹായുടെയും നമ്മുടെ സഭയിലെ വിശുദ്ധരുടെയും വാഴ്ത്തപ്പെട്ടവരുടെയും പ്രാർഥനയാൽ നമ്മുടെ സഭ മുഴുവനിലും പ്രത്യേകിച്ചു സിനഡു സമ്മേളനത്തിലും ദൈവത്തിന്റെ കാരുണ്യവും അനുഗ്രഹവും വർഷിക്കപ്പെടാൻ ഇടയാകട്ടെ.

ഈശോയിൽ സ്നേഹപൂർവ്വം,

കർദിനാൾ ജോർജ്ജ് ആലഞ്ചേരി
സീറോമലബാർ സഭയുടെ മേജർ ആർച്ച്ബിഷപ്പ്

ഈ സർക്കുലർ ജനത്തോടൊപ്പം ആരാധനാകർമ്മങ്ങൾ നടക്കുന്ന പള്ളികളിൽ 2021 ജൂലൈ 25-ാം തീയതി ഞായറാഴ്ച കുർബാനമദ്ധ്യേ വായിക്കേണ്ടതാണ്. വി. കുർബാനയിൽ സംബന്ധിക്കാൻ സാധിക്കാത്തവർക്ക് ഏതെങ്കിലും രീതിയിൽ ഇതിന്റെ കോപ്പി സംലഭ്യമാക്കേണ്ടതുമാണ്.



CURIA NEWS

Monthly Recollection of Priests and Sisters

Monthly Recollection for Priests and Sisters for the month of August will be held on Aug 09, 2021, at 11.00 am. Spiritual enrichment talk will be given by Rev. Fr. Thomas Thaicheril

Live and Learn 2021

Annual get together and seminars for priest will be held from Sept 13 to 17, 2021 at Calgary.

Annual Retreat 2021

Annual retreat for priests and sisters for the year 2021 will be held from Oct 18 to 21. Most Rev. Bishop Joseph Pamplaniyil will be the retreat preacher.

New Appointments

1. Fr. George Joseph Changanamthundathil is appointed as the pastor of twin parishes- St. Joseph Syro Malabar Parish and St. Richards Catholic Parish, Montreal w.e.f. August 01, 2021.
2. Fr. Thomas Venmanthara is appointed as the Pastor in charge of St. Alphonsa Parish Cambridge, w.e.f. August 01, 2021.
3. Fr. George Joseph Changanamthundathil is relieved from the position of pastor of St. Alphonsa Parish Cambridge and St. Don Bosco Mission Peterborough.

Curia Meetings

Curia meetings were held on 07, 12, and 21 of July 2021.

Presbyterium Meeting

Presbyterium Meeting was convened on July 12, 2021, at 11.00 am

വിശ്വാസവും സ്നേഹവും ദൈവൈക്യവും

(തിരുവചനഭാഗം: 1 യോഹ 2,1-29)

ദൈവവുമായുള്ള നമ്മുടെ ഐക്യം പ്രകടമാകേണ്ടത് ദൈവസ്നേഹത്തിന്റെയും പരസ്നേഹത്തിന്റെയും പ്രമാണാനുഷ്ഠാനങ്ങളിലൂടെയാണെന്ന് യോഹന്നാൻ ശ്രീഹാ ഈ വചനഭാഗത്ത് വ്യക്തമാക്കുന്നു. ഈ ഭാഗം ഇപ്രകാരം വിഭജിക്കാം:

1. ദൈവൈക്യവും പ്രമാണാനുസരണവും (2,1-6)
2. സഹോദരസ്നേഹവും പ്രകാശത്തിൽ സഞ്ചരിക്കലും (2,7-14)
3. ലോകത്തിന്റെ സ്നേഹവും ദൈവസ്നേഹവും (2,15-17)
4. വിശ്വാസത്തിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുക (2,18-25)
5. അഭിഷേകത്താൽ പഠിപ്പിക്കപ്പെടുക (2,26-29)

ഈ വചനഭാഗം അജപാലകരായ വൈദികർക്കു നൽകുന്ന സന്ദേശങ്ങളാണ് ഇപ്രാവശ്യം നാം ധ്യാനവിഷയമാക്കുന്നത്.

1. ദൈവൈക്യവും പ്രമാണാനുസരണവും

“നാം അവന്റെ കല്പനകൾ പാലിച്ചാൽ അതിൽനിന്നു നാം അവനെ അറിയുന്നുവെന്നു തീർച്ചയാക്കാം. ഞാൻ അവനെ അറിയുന്നു എന്നു പറയുകയും അവന്റെ കല്പനകൾ പാലിക്കാതിരിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നവൻ കള്ളംപറയുന്നു; അവനിൽ സത്യമില്ല” (2,3-5).

ദൈവൈക്യം ഒരു ആന്തരികയാഥാർത്ഥ്യമാണ്. എന്നാൽ അതുണ്ടെന്ന് ഉറപ്പാക്കുവാൻ ചില ബാഹ്യമായ അടയാളങ്ങളുണ്ട്. അതിൽ പ്രാധാന്യമർഹിക്കുന്ന ഒന്നാണ് പ്രമാണാനുഷ്ഠാനം. ജീവിതത്തിൽ പ്രാവർത്തികമാക്കേണ്ട പ്രമാണാനുഷ്ഠാനമില്ലാതെ ദൈവൈക്യത്തിലാണെന്ന് ആർക്കും അവകാശപ്പെടാനാവില്ല. ദൈവൈക്യത്തെ സൂചിപ്പിക്കുവാൻ മൂന്നു പ്രയോഗങ്ങൾ ഇവിടെ കാണുന്നുണ്ട്: ‘അവനെ അറിയുക’ (2,3-4), ‘അവനിലായിരിക്കുക’ (2,5), ‘അവനിൽ വസിക്കുക’ (2,6). ബാഹ്യമായ അടയാളത്തെ സൂചിപ്പിക്കുവാനും മൂന്നു പ്രയോഗങ്ങൾ ഇവിടെ ഉപയോഗിക്കുന്നുണ്ട്. ‘അവന്റെ കല്പനകൾ പാലിക്കുക’ (2,3-4), ‘അവന്റെ വചനം പാലിക്കുക’ (2,5), ‘അവൻ നടന്ന വഴിയിലൂടെ നടക്കുക’ (2,6). ഇപ്രകാരം പ്രമാണങ്ങൾ പാലിക്കുന്ന ജീവിതമാണ് നാം ദൈവൈക്യത്തിലാണ് എന്നതിനുള്ള തെളിവ്. കല്പനകൾ യാന്ത്രികമായി അനുഷ്ഠിച്ചാൽപോരാ എന്ന

സൂചനയാണ് അതിന് ഉപയോഗിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഗ്രീക്കു വാക്ക് (തേരെയിൻ) നൽകുന്നത്. സ്നേഹബന്ധത്തിൽനിന്നും ഉരുത്തിരിയുന്ന ഒരു കല്പനാനുസരണമാണത്. അതുകൊണ്ട് സ്നേഹത്താൽ പ്രചോദിതരായി കല്പനകൾ പാലിച്ച് ദൈവൈകൃത്തിൽ ജീവിക്കുവാൻ നാം ശ്രമിക്കണം.

പാപബദ്ധനായ മനുഷ്യന് സ്നേഹബന്ധത്തിൽ നിന്നുമുയരുന്ന കല്പനാനുസരണത്തിൽ വീഴ്ചകളുണ്ടാകുമെന്നതിന് സംശയമില്ല. അതുകൊണ്ട് അപ്രകാരമുള്ള വീഴ്ചകളുണ്ടാകരുതെന്ന് ഓർമ്മിപ്പിച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണ് ഈ വചനഭാഗം ആരംഭിക്കുന്നത്. അങ്ങനെയുണ്ടായാൽത്തന്നെ അതിൽനിന്നും മോചനം നേടി നിരന്തരം പ്രമാണാനുസരണത്തിൽ കർമ്മനിരതരാകണമെന്ന് യോഹന്നാൻസ്ത്രീഹാ നമ്മെ അനുസ്മരിപ്പിക്കുന്നു. അതിന് നമുക്കു സഹായകനായി ഉത്ഥിതനായ ഈശോതന്നെ നമ്മോടൊപ്പമുണ്ടെന്ന് സ്ത്രീഹാ നമ്മെ ഓർമ്മിപ്പിക്കുന്നുണ്ട് (2,1-2). ഈശോ നമുക്കു സഹായകനാകുന്നത് രണ്ടുവിധത്തിലാണ്: ഒന്ന്, നമ്മുടെ പാപങ്ങൾക്ക് പരിഹാരബലിയായിത്തീർന്നവൻ എന്ന നിലയിൽ; മറ്റൊന്ന് നമുക്കുവേണ്ടി ദൈവത്തിന്റെ സന്നിധിയിലായിരിക്കുന്ന പുരോഹിതൻ എന്ന നിലയിൽ. അതുകൊണ്ട് വീഴ്ചകളിൽ നിരാശപ്പെടാതെ നിരന്തരം നവീകരിക്കപ്പെട്ടുകൊണ്ട് ദൈവൈകൃത്തിലും പ്രമാണാനുസരണത്തിലും നാം ജീവിക്കണം. ഇത് എല്ലാ ക്രൈസ്തവരെ സംബന്ധിച്ചും പ്രസക്തമാണെങ്കിൽ അതിനു മാതൃകയായും അതിനെ പ്രോത്സാഹിപ്പിച്ചും അജപാലകർ അവരുടെ ശുശ്രൂഷ നിർവ്വഹിക്കണം.

2. സഹോദരസ്നേഹവും പ്രകാശത്തിൽ സഞ്ചരിക്കലും

“താൻ പ്രകാശത്തിലാണെന്നു പറയുകയും, അതേസമയം തന്റെ സഹോദരനെ ദേഷിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നവൻ ഇപ്പോഴും അന്ധകാരത്തിലാണ്. സഹോദരനെ സ്നേഹിക്കുന്നവൻ പ്രകാശത്തിൽ വസിക്കുന്നു; അവൻ ഇടർച്ച ഉണ്ടാകുന്നില്ല. എന്നാൽ തന്റെ സഹോദരനെ വെറുക്കുന്നവൻ ഇരുട്ടിലാണ്. അവൻ ഇരുട്ടിൽ നടക്കുന്നു. ഇരുട്ട് അവന്റെ കണ്ണുകളെ അന്ധമാക്കിയതിനാൽ എവിടേക്കാണു പോകുന്നതെന്ന് അവൻ അറിയുന്നില്ല” (2,9-11).

ദൈവൈകൃത്തിന്റെ മാനദണ്ഡമായി ‘കല്പനകൾ പാലിക്കുക’ എന്നു പറഞ്ഞത് പരസ്പരസ്നേഹത്തിന്റെ കല്പനയായി ഈ ഭാഗത്ത് അവതരിപ്പിക്കുന്നു. പരസ്പരസ്നേഹത്തിന്റെ കല്പനയെ പഴയകല്പനയായിട്ടും പുതിയ കല്പനയായിട്ടും ഇവിടെ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നു. പഴയകല്പന (2,7-8) എന്നു പറയുന്നത് പഴയനിയമത്തിലെ കല്പന എന്ന അർത്ഥത്തിലല്ല. പ്രത്യുത, ഈശോമിശിഹായിലുള്ള വിശ്വാസത്തിന്റെ ആരംഭംമുതൽ എന്ന അർത്ഥത്തിലാണ്. അതായത്, ഈശോ നൽകിയ പരസ്പരസ്നേഹത്തിന്റെ കല്പന (യോഹ 13,34-35). ഈ കല്പന അവർ ശ്രവിച്ച വചനം തന്നെയാണെന്ന് ഇവിടെ കൂട്ടിച്ചേർക്കുന്നു. ക്രൈസ്തവരെ സംബന്ധിച്ചിടത്തോളം ഈശോ നൽകിയ പരസ്പരസ്നേഹത്തിന്റെ കല്പന ഈശോയുടെ സുവിശേഷം തന്നെയാണ്. എങ്കിലും ഈ കല്പനയെ പുതിയ കല്പനയായും വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നു (2,8). പുതിയ

കല്പന എന്നതിന്റെ അർത്ഥം സവിശേഷതയിൽ പുതിയത് എന്നു മനസ്സിലാക്കണം. നാം എങ്ങനെയെങ്കിലും മറ്റുള്ളവരെ സ്നേഹിച്ചാൽ പോരാ; ഈശോ നമ്മെ സ്നേഹിച്ചതുപോലെ നാം പരസ്പരം സ്നേഹിക്കണം. മാത്രമല്ല, ക്രിസ്തീയസ്നേഹം ഈശോയിലൂടെ നമുക്കു നല്കപ്പെട്ട പിതാവായ ദൈവത്തിന്റെ സ്നേഹത്തിലുള്ള പങ്കുചേരലുമാണ് (1 യോഹ 4,16).

സഹോദരനെ സ്നേഹിക്കുന്നവൻ പ്രകാശത്തിൽ വസിക്കുന്നവനും സഹോദരനെ വെറുക്കുന്നവൻ ഇരുട്ടിൽ നടക്കുന്നവനുമാണെന്ന് തുടർന്നു പറയുന്നു. സഹോദരനെ സ്നേഹിക്കുമ്പോൾ നാം ദൈവത്തിന്റെ സ്നേഹത്തിലും സഹവാസത്തിലും വളരുകയും ദൈവൈകൃത്തിലേക്കു നടന്നടക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നു. സഹോദരനെ വെറുക്കുന്നവൻ ദൈവൈകൃത്തിലേക്കുള്ള വഴി തിരിച്ചറിയാതെ ജീവിക്കുന്നതുകൊണ്ട് ലക്ഷ്യബോധമില്ലാതെ യാത്ര ചെയ്യുന്നവനാണ്. ഇവിടെ 'സഹോദരർ' എന്നു വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നത് സഭയുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മയിലുള്ള വിശ്വാസികളെയാണ്. പുതിയനിയമത്തിൽ എല്ലാ ഗ്രന്ഥങ്ങളിലുംതന്നെ വിശ്വാസകൂട്ടായ്മയിലുള്ള സഭാംഗങ്ങളെ 'സഹോദരർ' എന്നു വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നതായി കാണുന്നുണ്ട്. ഈശോ തന്റെ പിതാവിന്റെ ഹിതം നിർവ്വഹിക്കുന്നവരെ സ്വന്തം സഹോദരരായി കണ്ടിരുന്നവല്ലോ (മർക്കോ 3,35). യോഹന്നാന്റെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടിൽ വിശ്വാസികൾ ദൈവത്തിൽനിന്നും ജനിച്ച ദൈവമക്കളായതുകൊണ്ട് (യോഹ 1,12-13) പരസ്പരം സഹോദരരായി കാണുകയും സ്നേഹിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യണം. അതുകൊണ്ട് സഭാശുശ്രൂഷയുടെ ലക്ഷ്യമായി അജപാലകർ ശ്രദ്ധിക്കേണ്ടത് പരസ്പരസ്നേഹം ജീവിക്കുന്ന ഒരു കൂടുംബമായി ഇടവകയെ കെട്ടിപ്പടുക്കുവാനാണ്.

3. ലോകത്തിന്റെ സ്നേഹവും ദൈവസ്നേഹവും

“ലോകത്തെയോ ലോകത്തിലുള്ള വസ്തുക്കളെയോ നിങ്ങൾ സ്നേഹിക്കരുത്. ആരെങ്കിലും ലോകത്തെ സ്നേഹിച്ചാൽ പിതാവിന്റെ സ്നേഹം അവനിൽ ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കുകയില്ല. എന്തെന്നാൽ, ജഡത്തിന്റെ ദുരാശ, കണ്ണുകളുടെ ദുരാശ, ജീവിതത്തിന്റെ അഹന്ത ഇങ്ങനെ ലോകത്തിലുള്ളതൊന്നും പിതാവിന്റേതല്ല; പ്രത്യുത, ലോകത്തിന്റേതാണ്. ലോകവും അതിന്റെ മോഹങ്ങളും കടന്നുപോകുന്നു. ദൈവഹിതം പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നവനാകട്ടെ എന്നേക്കും നിലനിൽക്കുന്നു” (2,15-17).

ദൈവസ്നേഹവും ലോകത്തിന്റെ സ്നേഹവും ഒന്നിച്ചുപോവുകയില്ല എന്ന് ഇവിടെ യോഹന്നാൻ ശ്ലീഹാ ഓർമ്മിപ്പിക്കുകയും അതുകൊണ്ട് ലോകത്തെ സ്നേഹിക്കാതിരിക്കാൻ ഉപദേശിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യുന്നു. ഇവിടെ ലോകം എന്നു പറയുന്നത് പാപകരമായ ലോകത്തെയാണ്; അതായത് വിശ്വാസവിരുദ്ധമായ നിലപാടെടുക്കുന്ന ലോകത്തെ. “ലോകത്തിലുള്ള വസ്തുക്കളെയും സ്നേഹിക്കരുത്” എന്നു പറയുന്നു. ലോകത്തിലുള്ള വസ്തുക്കൾ ഏതാണെന്ന് അടുത്ത വാചകത്തിൽ വിശദീകരിക്കുന്നുണ്ട്. ജഡത്തിന്റെ ദുരാശ, കണ്ണുകളുടെ ദുരാശ, ജീവിതത്തിന്റെ അഹന്ത. ഈശോയ്ക്കനുഭവപ്പെട്ടതും മനുഷ്യർക്കെല്ലാം അനുഭവപ്പെടുന്നതുമായ പ്രലോഭനങ്ങളുടെ മൂന്നു തലങ്ങളാണിവ. ജഡത്തിന്റെ ദുരാശ ജഡി

കാസക്തികളെ സൂചിപ്പിക്കുന്നു. വിശപ്പ് അനുഭവപ്പെട്ടപ്പോൾ കല്ലുകളെ അപ്പമാക്കുവാൻ ഈശോയ്ക്കനുഭവപ്പെട്ട പ്രലോഭനം ഇതിനുദാഹരണമാണ് (മത്താ 4,3). കണ്ണുകളുടെ ദുരാശ കാണുന്നതെല്ലാം സ്വന്തമാക്കാനുള്ള ദ്രവ്യാഗ്രഹത്തെ സൂചിപ്പിക്കുന്നു. 'നീ സാഷ്ടാംഗം വീണ് എന്നെ ആരാധിച്ചാൽ ഇവയെല്ലാം നിനക്കു ഞാൻ നൽകും' എന്നു പറഞ്ഞ് സാന്താൻ ഈശോയെ പ്രലോഭിപ്പിച്ചത് ഇതിനുദാഹരണമാണ് (മത്താ 4,8-9). ജീവിതത്തിന്റെ അഹന്ത മനുഷ്യമഹത്ത്വം തേടാനുള്ള പ്രലോഭനത്തെ സൂചിപ്പിക്കുന്നു. ദൈവലയത്തിന്റെ അഗ്രത്തിൽ നിന്നു താഴേക്കുചാടുവാൻ ഈശോയ്ക്കുണ്ടായ പ്രലോഭനം ഇതിനുദാഹരണമാണ് (മത്താ 4,6). ലോകത്തോടും ലോകവസ്തുക്കളോടുമുള്ള സ്നേഹം ദൈവസ്നേഹവുമായി പൊരുത്തപ്പെടുകയില്ല.

ലോകത്തെ സ്നേഹിക്കാതിരിക്കാനുള്ള മറ്റൊരു കാരണം ലോകവും അതിന്റെ മോഹങ്ങളും കടന്നുപോകുന്നു എന്നതാണ്. നിത്യമായി നിലനിൽക്കുന്നതിൽ മാത്രമേ യഥാർത്ഥ സന്തോഷവും സംതൃപ്തിയും മനുഷ്യനു ലഭിക്കുകയുള്ളൂ. ദൈവം മാത്രമാണ് നിത്യനായവൻ. അതുകൊണ്ട് ദൈവത്തെ സ്നേഹിക്കുകയും ദൈവഹിതം പ്രാവർത്തികമാക്കുകയും ചെയ്തുകൊണ്ട്, ദൈവൈക്യത്തിൽ ജീവിക്കുന്നവർ ദൈവത്തോടുകൂടെ എന്നും നിലനിൽക്കും. അതുവഴി യഥാർത്ഥ സന്തോഷവും സംതൃപ്തിയും അനുഭവിക്കുകയും ചെയ്യും. അതുകൊണ്ട് ദൈവസ്നേഹത്തിനു ജീവിതത്തിൽ പ്രഥമസ്ഥാനം നൽകണം. ദൈവസ്നേഹം മാത്രം മതി എന്ന നിലപാടിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുകയും വളരുകയും വേണം. 'ഹൃദയത്തിന്റെ സന്ന്യാസം' എന്ന് അതിനെ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കാം. അതാണ് എല്ലാ ക്രൈസ്തവരും അഭ്യസിക്കേണ്ടതും ജീവിക്കേണ്ടതും. അതുകൊണ്ട് ഈ സന്ന്യാസം ജീവിക്കുവാൻ അജപാലകർ പ്രത്യേകം ശ്രദ്ധിക്കണം. അപ്രകാരം ജീവിക്കുവാൻ ജനങ്ങളെ പരിശീലിപ്പിക്കുകയും വേണം.

4. വിശ്വാസത്തിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുക

"ഈശോയാണ് മിശിഹാ എന്നത് നിഷേധിക്കുന്നവനല്ലാതെ മറ്റാരാണ് കള്ളം പറയുന്നവൻ? പിതാവിനെയും പുത്രനെയും നിഷേധിക്കുന്നവനാകാതെ അവനാണ് അന്തിക്രിസ്തു. പുത്രനെ നിഷേധിക്കുന്നവനു പിതാവില്ല. പുത്രനെ ഏറ്റുപറയുന്നവനു പിതാവും ഉണ്ടായിരിക്കും. ആരംഭം മുതൽ നിങ്ങൾ ശ്രവിച്ചതു നിങ്ങളിൽ നിലനിൽക്കട്ടെ. അതു നിങ്ങളിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുമെങ്കിൽ നിങ്ങൾ പുത്രനിലും പിതാവിലും നിലനിൽക്കും. അവൻ നമുക്കു നൽകിയിരിക്കുന്ന വാഗ്ദാനം ഇതാണ്-നിത്യജീവൻ" (2,22-25).

ഈ ലേഖനഭാഗത്ത് വിശ്വാസികളും വ്യാജപ്രവാചന്മാരും തമ്മിലുള്ള വ്യത്യാസവും വ്യാജപ്രവാചകന്മാരെ തിരിച്ചറിയാനുള്ള മാനദണ്ഡങ്ങളും അവതരിപ്പിച്ച്, വിശ്വാസത്തിൽ നിലനിൽക്കാനുള്ള ആഹ്വാനമാണ് യോഹന്നാൻസ്ത്രീഹാ നൽകുക.

നന്ത്. വ്യാജപ്രവാചകന്മാരെ ‘അന്തിക്രിസ്തു’ എന്നാണ് യോഹന്നാൻ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്. ‘അന്തിക്രിസ്തു’ യുഗാന്ത്യത്തിൽ വരാനിരിക്കുന്നവനും ക്രിസ്തുവിന് എതിരായി പ്രവർത്തിക്കുന്നവനുമായിട്ടാണ് ക്രൈസ്തവസമൂഹം വിശ്വസിച്ചിരുന്നത്. യോഹന്നാന്റെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടിൽ യുഗാന്ത്യം സഭയുടെ കാലഘട്ടത്തോടുകൂടി ആരംഭിച്ചുകഴിഞ്ഞു. അതുകൊണ്ട് മിശിഹായിലുള്ള സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസത്തിനു വിരുദ്ധമായി പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നവരെല്ലാം ‘അന്തിക്രിസ്തുമാർ’ എന്നാണ് അറിയപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നത്. ആ അർത്ഥത്തിൽതന്നെയാണ് ഈ വചനഭാഗത്തും ഇവരെപ്പറ്റി പറയുന്നത്. അവരെ ‘നമ്മുടെ കൂട്ടത്തിൽനിന്നു പുറത്തുപോയവർ’ (2,19-20), ‘പിതാവിനെയും പുത്രനെയും നിഷേധിക്കുന്നവർ’ (2,21-25), ‘വിശ്വാസികളെ വഴിതെറ്റിക്കുന്നവർ’ (2,26-27) എന്നിങ്ങനെ മൂന്നു വിധത്തിൽ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നു.

ഇവരുടെ സാന്നിധ്യം വിശ്വാസികൾക്കു ഭീഷണിയാണ്. തെറ്റായ പഠനങ്ങൾ നൽകി സഭാംഗങ്ങളെ സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസത്തിൽനിന്നും വ്യതിചലിപ്പിക്കുവാൻ ഇടയാക്കുന്ന ഒരു സാഹചര്യമാണ് ഇവരുടെ സാന്നിധ്യം സൃഷ്ടിച്ചത്. അതിനെതിരെ ജാഗ്രത പുലർത്തണമെന്നാണ് ഇവിടെ യോഹന്നാൻ ശ്ലീഹാ ഉദ്ബോധിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്. വ്യാജപ്രവാചകന്മാരുടെ സാന്നിധ്യം സഭയിൽ എന്നുമുണ്ടാകും. അവരെ തിരിച്ചറിയുവാനും അവരുടെ തെറ്റായ പ്രബോധനങ്ങൾക്കടിമപ്പെടാതെ സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസത്തിൽ ഉറച്ചുനിൽക്കുവാനും നിതാന്തജാഗ്രത ആവശ്യമാണ്. അജപാലകരായ പുരോഹിതർ ഇക്കാര്യത്തിൽ പ്രത്യേകം ശ്രദ്ധിക്കണം. സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസം പഠിപ്പിക്കുവാനും ജനങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിക്കുവാനും പുരോഹിതർ നിതാന്തജാഗ്രത പുലർത്തണം.

5. അഭിഷേകത്താൽ പഠിപ്പിക്കപ്പെടുക

“മിശിഹായിൽനിന്നു നിങ്ങൾ സ്വീകരിച്ച അഭിഷേകം നിങ്ങളിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുന്നു. അതിനാൽ മറ്റാരും നിങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതില്ല. അവന്റെ അഭിഷേകം എല്ലാ കാര്യങ്ങളെയുംകുറിച്ചു നിങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിക്കും. അതു സത്യമാണ്, വ്യാജമല്ല. അവൻ നിങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിച്ചതനുസരിച്ച് നിങ്ങൾ അവനിൽ വസിക്കുവിൻ” (2,27).

“മിശിഹായിൽനിന്നു നിങ്ങൾ സ്വീകരിച്ച അഭിഷേകം നിങ്ങളിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുന്നു. അതിനാൽ മറ്റാരും നിങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടതില്ല. അവന്റെ അഭിഷേകം എല്ലാ കാര്യങ്ങളെയുംകുറിച്ചു നിങ്ങളെ പഠിപ്പിക്കും” എന്ന പ്രസ്താവന പലവിധത്തിൽ വ്യാഖ്യാനിക്കപ്പെടുകയും തെറ്റായ പഠനങ്ങൾക്കു ഇടയാവുകയും ചെയ്യുന്ന ഒരു പ്രസ്താവനയാണ്. ഉദാഹരണത്തിന് ഇത് നമുക്കു ലഭിച്ച അരുപിയെക്കുറിച്ചാണെന്നും, അതുകൊണ്ട് മറ്റാരും നമ്മെ പഠിപ്പിക്കേണ്ടെന്നും വ്യാഖ്യാനിക്കുന്നവരുണ്ട്. വെറും വ്യക്തിഗതമായി, അരുപിയാൽ നയിക്കപ്പെടുന്ന ഒരു ജീവിതമായി ഇതിനെ വ്യാഖ്യാനിക്കുന്നത് ശരിയല്ല. ഇത് സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസത്തോടും പ്രബോധനത്തോടും ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഒരു അഭിഷേകമാണ്; നിരന്തരമായ വിശ്വാസസ്വീകരണത്തോടു ബന്ധപ്പെട്ട ഒരഭിഷേകമാണ്. ഈ അഭിഷേകം ആദ്യമായി നടക്കുന്നത്

മാമ്മോദീസായിലാണ്. മാമ്മോദീസായിലാണല്ലോ സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസത്തിലേക്കു നാം പ്രവേശിപ്പിക്കപ്പെടുന്നത്. സഭയുടെ കുദാശാജീവിതത്തിലൂടെ ഈ അഭിഷേകം തുടർന്നുകൊണ്ടിരിക്കുന്നു. അതുകൊണ്ടാണ് സഭയുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മയിൽനിന്നും വിട്ടുപോയവരെ വ്യാജമിശിഹാമാരെന്നും സഭാംഗങ്ങളെ അഭിഷേകമുള്ളവരെന്നും ലേഖനത്തിൽ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്.

അഭിഷേകം എന്നത് സഭയിൽ സ്വീകരിക്കപ്പെട്ടതും അരുപിയുടെ സഹായത്തോടെ ആന്തരികീകരിക്കപ്പെടുന്നതുമായ ദൈവവചനമാണ്. ആകയാൽ ഈ അഭിഷേകം സഭയുടെ പ്രബോധനം ഉൾക്കൊള്ളുന്നതും ആന്തരികീകരണം ആവശ്യമായിട്ടുള്ളതുമാണ്. സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസവും പ്രബോധനവും എത്രമാത്രം നാം ആന്തരികീകരിക്കുന്നുവോ, അത്രമാത്രം മറ്റു ബാഹ്യമായ പ്രബോധനത്തിന്റെ ആവശ്യകത കുറഞ്ഞുവരും. ഈ പ്രസ്താവന ബാഹ്യമായ പ്രബോധനത്തിന്റെ ആവശ്യകതയ്ക്ക് വിരുദ്ധമല്ല. ബാഹ്യമായ പ്രബോധനങ്ങളെല്ലാം സഭയുടെ ആധികാരികമായ പ്രബോധനത്തോടു ചേർന്നുപോകുന്നതാണെന്നും വിശ്വാസത്തെ സ്വാംശീകരിക്കാൻ സഹായകമാണെന്നും ഉറപ്പുവരുത്തണം. മിശിഹായുടെ രണ്ടാം ആഗമനത്തെ പ്രതീക്ഷിക്കുന്ന ജീവിതമാണല്ലോ ക്രൈസ്തവജീവിതം. അതുകൊണ്ട് ഈ അന്ത്യാത്മകലക്ഷ്യത്തിലേക്ക് നടന്നടുക്കുവാൻ മിശിഹായിൽ വസിക്കുവാൻ ഉപദേശിച്ചുകൊണ്ടാണ് ഈ വചനഭാഗം അവസാനിപ്പിക്കുന്നത്. മിശിഹായിൽ വസിക്കുക എന്നതിന്റെ അർത്ഥം സഭയുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മയിൽ നിലനിൽക്കുക എന്നതാണ്. അതുകൊണ്ട് സഭയുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മയിൽ നിലനിന്നുകൊണ്ട് വിശ്വാസാഭിഷേകത്താൽ നിരന്തരം പഠിപ്പിക്കപ്പെട്ടുകൊണ്ട് വിശ്വാസജീവിതം നയിക്കുവാൻ അജപാലകർ തങ്ങളുടെ വിശ്വാസികളെ പരിശീലിപ്പിക്കണം.

ജീവിതസൂചിക

1. അനുസരണാജീവിതത്തിലൂടെ ദൈവൈകൃത്തിൽ നിരന്തരം ജീവിക്കുവാൻ ഞാൻ പരിശ്രമിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?
2. പരസ്പരസാഹോദര്യം ജീവിക്കുന്ന കുടുംബാരുപിയിൽ ഇടവകയെ കെട്ടിപ്പടുക്കുവാൻ ഞാൻ എങ്ങനെ പരിശ്രമിക്കുന്നു?
3. ദൈവസ്നേഹത്താൽ ഭരിക്കപ്പെടുന്ന ഹൃദയത്തിന്റെ സന്നയാസം ജീവിക്കുവാൻ എനിക്കു കഴിയുന്നുണ്ടോ?
4. സഭയുടെ വിശ്വാസത്തിൽനിന്നും വ്യതിചലിപ്പിക്കുന്ന പ്രബോധനങ്ങളെ വിവേചിച്ചറിഞ്ഞ് സത്യവിശ്വാസം ജീവിക്കുവാൻ ഞാൻ ജനങ്ങളെ പരിശീലിപ്പിക്കുന്നുണ്ടോ?
5. സഭയുടെ കൂട്ടായ്മയിൽ നിലനിന്നുകൊണ്ട് വിശ്വാസാഭിഷേകത്താൽ പഠിപ്പിക്കപ്പെടാൻ വിശ്വാസികളെ ഞാൻ എങ്ങനെ പരിശീലിപ്പിക്കുന്നു?

“Joseph did as the angel of the Lord commanded him” (Mt 1, 24)



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St. Joseph - A Working Father

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The apostolic letter from the Holy Father Francis “PATRIS CORDE”, marking the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of saint Joseph as patron of the universal church, encourage us to meditate on the seven virtues of St. Joseph, a reflection of his ‘fatherly love’. In this article, I am trying to share some concepts about the virtue of St. Joseph ‘as a working father’, for your thinking. Let us discuss about the different dimensions of virtue- ‘St. Joseph the worker, and how we can reflect it in our life.

The dictionary meanings of the word work state, “an activity involving mental or physical effort done in order to achieve a purpose or result” or “a task or tasks to be undertaken; something a person or thing has to do”. Moreover, work has different dimensions in itself.

- A. The most common one and the one we think most about is Employment (a paid work)
- B. Voluntary work (an unpaid work- an act of offering once time or skills for free, to serve a purpose),
- C. Forced work (any work or service which people are forced to do against their will, under threat of punishment. Almost all slavery practices contain some element of forced labour.)
- D. and another interesting dimension is Un-paid works (which is not either of the above, but may contain all of its essence, all those services or

works done in a household related to day-to-day activities are a good example for this)

In addition, an interesting concept that we can think is the ‘result of any work’. I can think about the result of any work in very broader sense; acknowledging the ultimate result, an analysis about the success pattern (what worked and what did not), the lesson we learned, an understanding about its long-term impact... and many more. In a micro sense I can simply say ‘the result’; did it worked or not, did we achieve or not... Ok that is it. However, in this article, for our discussions, I like to conclude the ‘result of any work’ into two aspects; ‘it is either constructive or destructive’. In other words, every works results in crating something or demolishing something. I believe this is the concept that we need to think more when we do anything. Whether my works/initiatives result in developing something/ someone or demolishing them?

When we review the Holy Bible ‘work’ has a totally different meaning, in short its can simply be described as, “it is God’s vision and gift for us and God himself showed us the example”. We might think that did God worked, does He need to do so? Through out the holy Bible we can see many examples of God working, a simple example can be found in Genesis chapters 1& 2 and Revelation 21:1-22, which will help us to understand this concept. Reflecting on the holy Bible, we can analysis some perspective that helps us to understand the concept of ‘work’ or how bible describes ‘work’.

- A. What ever we do, it matters to God, both our earthly and eternal life; Ephesians 2:10 says, “For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life”. God chose to create us in his own image; it is a greater call to be a part of God’s work, in another sense by creating us in his own image God wants us to carry his work through us.
- B. Reflecting further on the above point, God just did not create us all same, he had a perfect vision, he created us with all as “unique”, something which can’t be avoided, replaced or copied. “God provides us with unique skills, gifts and talents, and calls us to particular roles

and activities”. Romans Chapter 12; verses 6- 8 says, “We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us...” Although our roles might have significant differences, it has significant importance, our callings are equal. There are no second- class role or work for God. We are all the part of his greater vision, without us performing our role that vision is incomplete. The parable of lost sheep (Matthew 18:12–14 or Luke 15:3–7) gives us another reflection on this, God wants even that lost one ‘sheep (anyone of us)’ to be back, because that one has a unique role in God’s big plan for the humankind.

- C. When God has entitled us with a responsibility, there is an expectation that it should serve the “purpose of it”, where I see that the ultimate aim of our work should be the “service to others”. In any kind of work that we do, we need to find an opportunity to seek the peace and well being of all we serve. In all kind of work, we undertake humility and gratitude should be our hallmark. We also should always acknowledge God in our work and consider that being an ambassador for Him is a weighty, but honored, responsibility. 2 Corinthians 5: 20 says, “we are ambassadors for Christ...” Another dimension of this thought is elaborated in Mathew 7:12, which is also known as The Golden Rule “”In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.
- D. A final thought I want to discuss is “Any work or role we do, it is a gift from God”. It is a gift for us to grow in our personal spiritual self. Ecclesiastes 5:19 states “Likewise all to whom God gives wealth and possessions and whom he enables to enjoy them, and to accept their lot and find enjoyment in their toil—this is the gift of God”. A concept I can share to you to reflect, when we receive a gift, we are grateful and express our gratitude to the person who has given us a gift and it inspires us gift someone else or re-gift. Then think about the great gifts and skills that God given us and how are we going to express our gratitude and gratefulness.

Reflecting on the above thoughts from the holy Bible and general concepts of work, let us think about St. Joseph as an example of these concepts and

his virtues as a working father. My thoughts about this can be summarised in to three fundamental aspects.

- ❖ St. Joseph was an obedient worker- who understood, acknowledged, and fulfilled his responsibilities.
- ❖ St. Joseph possessed high work ethic and showed us the example that all works are valuable.
- ❖ St. Joseph fulfilled his earthly and spiritual expectations of work- as a worker St. Joseph given importance to fulfill ‘physical and spiritual bread needs’ of his family.

1. St. Joseph an Obedient Worker

A good example of this concept can be seen in Gospel of St. Mathew chapter 1 verses 18-25, where I would like to highlight few sentences from this portion, “Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife, for the child conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” ... “When Joseph awoke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took her as his wife”. This is a classical example of how a human can be obedient to God’s all for him. When analysing this concept from a point of view that ‘any work is gift from God and ultimate aims of all work should be to serve others and glorify the God, we can separate this concept into two dimensions.

A. Accepting God’s call and completing the work that God has entrusted in us, is a courageous act, an act of complete trust in God and His plan for us.

St. Joseph as a man; from a unique cultural and social background, with personal emotions like those other persons, who knows the impacts of ‘that call’, did not doubted ‘the call. He completely trusted the call and obeyed it.

Let us think how we as human beings approach ‘the call’ from God. We may have challenges to accept ‘the call’, we may drought “whether it good

or bad?” we may spend more time in thinking, “how others will think about me or evaluate me, if I accept ‘the call?’” We may be confused “how it is going to affect me and all what I have?” Moreover, we may re-think of accepting ‘the call’. That is human nature, but St. Joseph showed us a way ‘a courageous act, a complete trust on God’. St. Joseph trusted that “God’s plan is for him was for his welfare and not of evil”. Whenever we have a thought or rethinking about ‘God’s call’ for us or his plans for us, let us think about St. Joseph and his courageous act of acceptance and trust in God. Let us pray to St. Joseph for his intercession to help us to get that courage. Further, let us reflect based following Bible words which ensures us that” God’s plan is for my good not for my evil” *Jeremiah 29:11, Proverbs 3:5-6, Romans 8:28, Proverbs 16:9, Ecclesiastes 3:1-22, Isaiah 58:11, Jeremiah 1:5, Proverbs 3:5, Proverbs 19:21, Romans 12:2, Psalm 32:8, Psalm 37:2, John 15:7, Isaiah 43:18-19.*

B. Obedience to God and commitment to the responsibility he assigned to us.

Proverbs 16:3-4 states, “Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established. The Lord has made everything for its purpose....” Another dimension that we can reflect about St. Joseph as an ‘Obedient worker’ is his commitment to fulfill ‘God’s call’. St. Joseph fulfilled all the guidance given to him by God, his travel with St. Mary to Bethlehem (Luke 2:1-5), return to Nazareth (Mathew 2:19-20), settling in Nazareth (Mathew 2:21-23), are some examples of his act of commitment in fulfilling God’s call. Further the general readings and writings on St. Joseph as a father, help us to understand that how St. Joseph fulfilled his responsibility as a father in supporting St. Mary and Jesus.

A reflection from this is how we are committed to God’s plan for us and his call for us? also in our personal/family and professional life how much we are committed. I still remember a preaching from an old priest from my diocese in back home “when you are not fulfilling the assigned duties at your work/employment or trying to get away from them, it is considered as a sin; when your negligence of work create a harm for others and they suffer from it, it is a sin; when you neglect a help or support you could do to help someone, it is a sin”. I am not trying to terrify you, but think about this from

professional context, are we really committed in fulfilling our responsibilities or are we doing a sin. Many of our professional workers in Canada belongs to/ registered with a professional association/ school/ board. In most of its code of conduct, it tells that "The negligence of one's duty may result in a disciplinary action or may have a negative impact on your registration or even your career", in other sense it can be considered as a crime. So, most of us to be very vigilant in fulfilling our responsibilities at work.

Thinking about our spiritual responsibility as a catholic and the works we do to fulfill that, how much we are committed in fulfilling God's call for us? Or do we even consider our spiritual responsibilities? It may not be an employment but is a work to fulfill God's plan for us. Let us meditate this thought with following messages from the holy Bible.

- ❖ *Luke 16:10 reminds us that, "One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much."*
- ❖ *Colossians 3:23 tells us that, "Whatever your task, put yourselves into it, as done for the Lord and not for your masters."*

2. St. Joseph possessed high work ethic and valued all works.

St. Joseph was always identified as a carpenter, many writings and images about St. Joseph picture him as a hard-working person. We do not have much authentic writing describes us about St. Joseph's work or profession. However, it is commonly identified and believed that St. Joseph did carpenter work to take care of his family. Some images also picture St. Joseph teaching Jesus, the carpenter jobs, Jesus and St. Joseph work together, St. Joseph helps Mother Mary etc. However, all this points out to one think that he was a hard worker who earned his living and took care of his family with his work. In addition, it helps us to realise that he valued his work and extended his hand to support mother Mary. These images and thoughts also help us to understand that St. Joseph taught Jesus 'the value of work and earning one's own livelihood'. When reflecting on these thoughts, I like to elaborate 3 major values that St. Joseph shows us about the ethics and values of work.

A. What ever works we do we need to uphold a strong work ethics.

A strong work ethic is an important part of being successful in every career or duties we perform. Work ethics can be described as ‘a set of values based on the ideals of discipline and hard work’. Developing a strong work ethic will allow a person to train himself/ herself, so he/she feels the values of the work they do, and field valued in the profession. As we have reflected earlier Colossians, 3:23 states ‘Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men’. when we can think that our work is ‘gift of God’ and he has given us that responsibility ‘because of our unique skills’, we will be able to commit our work God, we will find a joy in whatever we are doing. I have seen and understood the struggles and challenges of our community in Canada in finding a desired work of their choice and sometimes not able to give it in full to the work they are doing, or just merely seeing that as a ‘settlement job’ for temporary earning. A vision to be employed in the profession is greater goal and that should be the dream for all, I totally agree. However, whatever work we do, even if it is a less paid and significantly challenging one, remember we are finding our livelihood from it and we are supporting/ serving someone who is benefiting from the work we do. Therefore, we need to be grateful for what we do, because God has a big plan for us. Also remember the words from God”Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.” Mathew 25:21. Also reflect Acts 20:35 “In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

It is also helpful to think, to keep a strong commitment to work and to fulfill its responsibility in full we need to give adequate rest to our Physical and Mental work. I understand that to keep on with the financial pressures, we work hard, sometimes 2 or 3 jobs in the same day, back-to-back with no rest or work in the same jobs consistently with overtime and extra overtime. But thinking about the long-term impact of it on you and your family, does it really worth? there will be many different thoughts, I agree, but in order

to define out ethic of work we need to reflect on this. What matters more for us? What is the ultimate aim of our work? What are our priorities our personal self and professional self? Are we giving more importance for our professional self than our spiritual and personal self? It is important though, to balance work life with adequate rest to reduce the risk of burnout.

B. Every work has a value, and we need to respect all works.

Reflectional about St. Joseph as a worker helps us to think about the value of the work we do and how we value all works. In a class-based capital system like Canada, people can do achieve a greater quality of life and live in the least possible luxury they want. When I came to Canada first, it was amazing for me to see that to a certain extent people with no 'big profile jobs or just standard jobs also can live a luxury life as of the others who has a 'big profile job'. I really appreciated it, wow... It is possible, as long as you work hard make the resources to achieve it. It may be a general thinking for many of us (at least for few), only people with 'high profile job is respected/valued or live better.' In a positive sense, Canada in bigger picture shows us that every job has its value. However, I am not talking about that value here. I like to frame the value in a broader sense, 'A quality that enables us to think that all are equal, all jobs are important, all jobs haveits unique nature, and all jobs somehow contribute to each other". Imagine, will there be a profit to cook/ restaurant owner, if no one comes to buy the food? If the cleaners do not perform their job (as a friend of mine was sharing the other day, Pandemic really made us to feel their value), that may end up in creating some health issues. Even the unpaid work performed by our household contribute to us. You might be the only one earning and your partner could not secure a good job; he/she might be just taking care of the households. Nevertheless, remember, it is equally important as your work, if they stop doing the work they do, how it caninfluence your work. Or in another words, when you think that you are the one earning more that your husband/ wife, and you need that respect, how that is going to affect you family life. Every job has its value, and it contributes to each other

C. It is our responsibility to example a good working culture to our kids and other people.

Another thought I wanted to share under the ethics/value of the work is, 'as a catholic we need to display an example of good value/ ethic of work to others and more importantly, we need to show it to our own kids'. St. Joseph taught Jesus the value of work; he taught Jesus the skills and techniques of the work and more essentially encouraged Jesus to earn his bread from his work.

Knowingly or unknowingly, we say, "our kids learn from us" ... Yes, it is very true; we are their first teacher, their first role model. Many of you who learned human behaviour and psychology will agree with me, when I say, 'the parents pave the way for children's early stages of personality development'. In other words, anything what we display, teach or make them to experience will deeply root in them. Think about St. Joseph as an example and let us reflect on our behaviour to see how far we are helping our kids to learn and experience the ethics and value of work.

3. St. Joseph fulfilled his earthly and spiritual expectations of work.

The most important value I like to discuss about St. Joseph as a worker is, "St. Joseph did provide the eternal bread to his family along with the bread for their physical life". When we discussed about the ethics of work, we thought about; what matters to us? Moreover, what is important to us? "We need to find a purpose that would last, one that impacts lives."

Most of the parents who comes to talk to me only has one big worry, Father, my kids... They are not willing to go to church, they are not willing to practice faith, and they want to go for parties on Sundays than going to church. On the other hand, I have seen many examples of parents and kids comes regularly come to church, actively participate in faith formation, and church activities. It made me to think as a priest I need to support the parents to realise what is more important in their life.

We have examples of many families experiencing challenges in their relations, some families who are fallen apart, some families who are constantly worrying about their children, some families do not have time to spend as 'a

family' and a lot more challenges. I understand the challenges of many families in our community; the commitments, the bills, the needs to support, plus the donations and contributions... and so many. I understand these challenges, but there are families who live a happy life, satisfied with the least they have and have more times to spend as a family. My reflections about this made me to realise that it is determined by what we give importance in our life, because the happy families have found what is important to and for them.

A fellow priest from Canada, in a casual conversation mentioned about a family we know in common, he was telling 'father the husband works 2 jobs, and the wife works 1.5 jobs everyday and they usually end up meeting in the train station, the only time they spend together is when they go for a vacation and this pandemic was blessing for them to spend more time together.' Recently a known family came to visit me, when the mother of the family shared her concern about husband's angry behaviour and drinking habit, when I asked about that to the husband, his replay was 'father I am working very hard and sometimes I need little liquor to put me into sleep, also when I come home tired, she asks me to support her and look after kids, she should realize that I am working 2 jobs and coming home very tired'. Just shared two different thoughts for your reflection.

Let us take a minute to think; what do we give more importance in our life? Do we have enough time for our family? Do we have time to take part in the faith formation and church activities? Do we at least have time for family prayer? Do we value wealth and job more than other aspects? What do we value?

In addition, another reflection around the same thought is, do we enjoy all what we do, all what we gained? and all that we have received from God?

St. Joseph as a working father has shown us great example, how we can have a happy family when we give importance to God and His call in our life. God's ways for us will not be the smoothest way that we need, but it will never make to feel sorry for, he will always 'show us the way'. "Give importance to God in your life and he will make everything for your good."

I would conclude this thought by saying that "God as given us a wonderful life, follow his call for us in the short time period of our life, you need to make the most of everything you do. Set goals, accomplish them, and

celebrate the little things in life. Make the most of everyday and always overcome the challenges by thinking about the love of God for us and all the blessings He has given us. Have faith in God, seek His support in your decision-making and really think things through. Focus and enjoy all that life has to offer, but always put God first in your life. What should matter to us is not our work for the physical bread, but the eternal bread”?

Conclusion

This article will not be completed without acknowledging the ethics, value and selfless service rendered by our healthcare and essential service workers during this pandemic and all the time. Can anyone of you imagine a world without them? This pandemic given us a great opportunity to experience their value and selfless services.

I would like to conclude this article quoting the thoughts from ‘the story of St. Joseph as a worker’ where it says that; “By work, humankind both fulfills the command found in Genesis to care for the earth (Gn 2:15) and to be productive in their labors. Saint Joseph, the carpenter and foster father of Jesus, is but one example of the holiness of human labor. Jesus, too, was a carpenter. He learned the trade from Saint Joseph and spent his early adult years working side-by-side in Joseph’s carpentry shop before leaving to pursue his ministry as preacher and healer.” In his encyclical *Laborem Exercens*, Pope John Paul II stated: “the Church considers it her task always to call attention to the dignity and rights of those who work, to condemn situations in which that dignity and those rights are violated, and to help to guide [social] changes so as to ensure authentic progress by man and society.” St. Joseph is held up as a model of such work. Pius XII emphasized this when he said, “The spirit flows to you and to all men from the heart of the God-man, and Savior of the world, but certainly, no worker was ever more completely and profoundly penetrated by it than the foster father of Jesus, who lived with Him in closest intimacy and community of family life and work.”

To capture the devotion to Saint Joseph within the Catholic liturgy, in 1870, Pope Pius IX declared Saint Joseph the patron of the universal Church. In 1955, Pope Pius XII added the feast of Saint Joseph the Worker.

This silent saint, who was given the noble task of caring and watching over the Virgin Mary and Jesus, now cares for and watches over the Church and models for all the dignity of human work.

Thoughts for self-reflection

- 1. What is the result of my work? Am I supporting the development for someone/ something or destroys them?***
- 2. What is important in my life? My work? Family? or God's call for me?***
- 3. What is God's call for me? Have I realised it yet? Am I willing to commit myself to that call?***
- 4. What is my work ethic?***
- 5. Do I value my works and works of everyone?***

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YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

Year of St. Joseph Competitions

Pious Associations for Children

- ◀ Last day for parish level entries: July 31, 2021
- ◀ Announcing the result at the parish level: August 15, 2021
- ◀ Submitting the best two entries from parish to Forane committee: August 16, 2021
- ◀ Announcing the result at the Forane level: August 19, 2021
- ◀ Submitting the best two entries from Forane to the Eparchial committee: August 31, 2021

SMYM

- ◀ Last day for parish level entries: July 31, 2021
- ◀ Submitting the best two entries from parish to Forane Director: August 20, 2021
- ◀ Submitting the best two from Forane to the Eparchial committee: September 5, 2021

Department of Family Apostolate

- ◀ Submitting the best two entries from parish to Forane Director: July 24, 2021
- ◀ Submitting the best two entries from Forane to the Eparchial committee: July 31, 2021
- ◀ Announcing the Eparchial level result: August 7, 2021

Fr. Augustine Kallumkatharayil

Convener,

Central Committee for the Year of St. Joseph

NEWS FROM DEPARTMENTS

PIOUS ASSOCIATIONS FOR CHILDREN

Eparchy Level PAC Thanksgiving Qurbana

His Excellency Mar Jose Kalluvilil celebrated a Thanksgiving Holy Qurbana for all PAC Animators in the Eparchy of Mississauga on July 11th, 2021 at 10am EST in St. Alphonsa Cathedral, Mississauga. PAC Central Team members participated in person while animators in our Eparchy joined us virtually. Ms. Deepa Sabu from the PAC Central Team presented a yearend report after the mass.

Welcometo Forane Directors

PAC welcomes our new Forane level directors: Rev. Fr. Augustine Kallumkatharayil (Scarborough Forane), Rev. Fr. BobbyMuttathuvalayil (Edmonton Forane) and Rev. Fr. PlogenKannampuzha (Mississauga Forane). A meeting was presided by His Excellency Mar Jose Kalluvilil together with the new Forane Directors and the PAC Central Team to discuss upcoming year PAC activities. Quarterly meetings will be held going forward.

CML Emblem Competition

This year as we are entering into the Platinum Jubilee Year for CML we joined with CML Indian Committee to conduct an emblem competition within our Eparchy. The PAC Eparchy Committee will evaluate all the entries and submit 2 of the best entries to the CML Committee in India for the final selection. Thank you to all participants.

Praise and Worship Training

PAC organized a praise and worship training for all children “Voice of Heaven” on July 24th at 11am EST. Rev. Sr. Philsy Euphrasia, CMC, conducted the training.



Feast Day Celebrations

Our beloved PAC Director Sr. Jeslin CMC celebrated her feast day on July 26th, 2021. On behalf of the entire PAC Family we wish Sr. Jeslin a very Happy feast Day and also presented her with a spiritual bouquet of over 10, 000 Hail Mary's recited by parishes all across our Eparchy. PAC Family also created a special video for Sr. which was shared on July 24th while presenting the spiritual bouquet to Sr. Jeslin. We thank Sr. Jeslin for all her hard work and commitment as she tirelessly works towards her mission of bringing the little ones closer to our Lord.



Prayer for World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

After the Holy Qurbana at Carmel Convent, Mississauga, Bishop Mar Jose Kalluvellil and Rev. Father Jacob Edakalathur gave a blessing to the grandparent present representing all the grandparents in our Eparchy. This special day honoring grandparents and the elderly was announced by Pope Francis on January 31, 2021. The annual day will be celebrated each year on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by the Pope for this first edition this year is “I am with you always” (Mt 28:20).



Upcoming Activities

- ✦ St. Joseph Year (SJY) Parish Level Evaluation Period August 1-13, 2021
- ✦ Announcing the SJY Parish Level Winners August 15, 2021
- ✦ Forane level SJY entries (best 2 from parishes) to be received by August 16th, 2021
- ✦ Announcing the SJY results at a Forane level August 29, 2021

For more information, please contact Sr. Jeslin CMC at paceofm@gmail.com.

DEPARTMENT OF CATECHESIS

Academic Year 2021 - 2022

Catechetical academic year 2021- 2022 commences on September 05th 2021. Classes will be conducted as in-person classes or in online format, depending on the provincial restrictions on gathering in each province.

Catechists' Convention

Department of Catechesis is organizing a 'Catechists' Convention' on August 28, 2021, including all Catechists from the various Parishes and Mission Centres across the Eparchy. His Beatitude George Cardinal Alencherry, Major Archbishop of Syro Malabar Church will be the Chief Guest of the ceremony.

Registration Form, Annual Planner, and the Catechetical Directory

Eparchial Catechetical Commission is preparing centralized Student Registration Forms. Attendance Register for students and teachers, Volunteer Consent Form for catechism teachers, the Annual Planner 2021-2022, and the updated Catechetical Directory.

NURSES MINISTRY

Chain Rosary

Nurses Ministry conducted a chain rosary on July 12th and 13th, 2021, with all regions across Canada.

Daily Online Zoom Prayer

Nurses from all over Canada continue to pray online for all the nurses and the whole World every day at 3 pm.

Prayer Meetings

Regional ministries continued the monthly virtual gatherings every Monday. Every first Monday of the month, the international resource team gives the word of God. In addition, an online prayer session with Rosary, Intercessory Prayer, Praise, and Worship is led by different regions of Nurses Ministry, followed by Word of God by parish priests from 8.30 pm to 10.30 pm.

Monthly Regional Meeting

Every 3rd Friday, a monthly meeting was conducted by many regions, followed by Holy Mass and Adoration at 5 pm.

Leaders Meet

All the leaders across Canada participated in the Leaders meet conducted with an international team on 19th and 20th July via zoom.

Upcoming Events

There is an upcoming night vigil organized by the international nurse's ministry team across the globe from 25th July to 31st July, wherein the USA and Canada will be hosting on 30th July from 10 pm to 1230 am est.

Logos Bee 2021

Logos Bee 2021 – Bible quiz was successfully conducted on July. Out of the 100 families registered, 36 families participated in Logos Bee 2021. It was held in zoom platform. The questions were prepared in google form. It was both challenging and exciting for the participants. All the participants did well after having done a good preparation making use of the study materials and reading the Gospel according to Mathew many times. Happy to announce the winners:



First: Gikson, Jiji & family from Hamilton parish with 99 marks.

Second: Joshy, Nicy & family from Scarborough parish with 96 marks

Third: Giselle Joseph & Michelle Joseph from Ottawa parish

Chris Varghese from Oshawa family with 93 marks

Congratulations to the winners. The certificate and cash prize will be handed over when His Excellency Mar Jose Kalluvelil visits the respective parishes for Holy Mass.

NEWS FROM PARISHES

MISSISSAUGA FORANE

ST. ALPHONSA CATHEDRAL, MISSISSAUGA

Knights of Columbus

We the Knights at St Alphonsa Cathedral had a very productive and busy month of July. The brother knights helped with the gardening and tree plantation upkeep at the Cathedral on July 18th. They further helped out with the Cathedral St. Alphonsa Perunnal on July 25. Br Sibichan Joseph got a special award from the Immediate Past State Deputy – Br David Peters for his help in enrolling members. The officers meeting was held virtually on July 11 followed by the general meeting on July 18.



Cherian Manathara
Grand Knight
St. Alphonsa Council 16624

ST. ALPHONSA PARISH CAMBRIDGE

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

It was a blessed day for our kids when the First Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies were held in our Parish on July 18, 2021. His Excellency, Mar Jose Kalluvilil administered the Sacraments to the candidates. In his homily, the candidates were asked a rhetorical question based on the great quote by St. Maximilian Kolbe "If angels could be jealous of men, they would be so for one reason: Holy Communion!" Rev. Jojoachan, Mrs. Sonia Sebastian and Bro. Francis as well as the parents prepared the kids very well. The PC members, the principal, the parents and other parishioners made the other arrangements.



News from the Catechism Departments

Staff Meeting

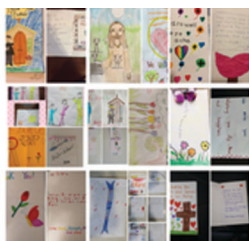
A staff meeting was held on July 14, 2021 to share the key highlights of the ECC and principals meeting held at Eparchy, discuss about honoring of Grade 12 graduates at the Parish level, nomination of a new vice-principal, Mr. Edwin Varghese and the need for new catechists and youth associates for the new academic year.

Our Shepherd's Farewell by the Catechism Department

The staff and students of Cambridge Catechesis arranged a virtual farewell for our shepherd Rev. Jojoachan on July 24, 2021 as he waves goodbye to the Cambridge Parish and accepts his new role in Montreal. The staff and students offered a Divine Mercy Chaplet, the principal gave the welcome address, shared a presentation of Jojoachan's journey with our staff & students. The students presented the farewell cards to Jojoachan as well as

an acrostic poem. Johana Edwin sang an apt farewell song for him while our teachers, Mr. Alex Thomas delivered a touching farewell speech and Mr. Paul Antony gave the vote of thanks. Rev. Jojoachan addressed and blessed all of us.

We really appreciate the efforts of Rev. Jojoachan as he led us through spiritually. Our PAC and SMYM activities gained momentum due to his great enthusiasm, motivation and presence. We wish him well in his new role and he will be greatly missed!



Parish Level Felicitation of our Grade 12 Graduates

Our Catechesis Department, the Parish Council and the Parishioners recognized the efforts of our first ever Grade 12 graduates at the Parish level through the Felicitation program held on July 25, 2021. The graduates, Ashlin Jose Antony and Edwin Joseph were lucky to have received the blessings of Rev. Jojoachan as he says goodbye to our parish to be able to serve yet two other parishes in Montreal. Two of our grade 11 students, Ania Suresh and Therese Joseph welcomed the graduates with bouquets, Rev. Jojoachan congratulated and presented the mementos to them, the PC members and teachers Mr. Alex Thomas and Mr. Joseph Devasia presented the cash gifts and the former principal, Mrs. Shanty Siby and the grade 12 class teacher Ms.



Manju Mathew gave away the spiritual book as a token of our love and appreciation for them. Mr. Antony Jose shared an amazing presentation of our students' Journey of Faith.

Our principal, in her address compared the works of the invisible Holy Spirit and the visible shepherd Rev. Jojoachan, teachers, parents and the parishioners again led by the Holy Spirit to the wind as she quoted a few apt lines from the poem "The wind" by Robert Louis Stevenson.

wind, a blowing all day long
wind that sings so loud a song!
I saw the different things you did
But always you yourself you hid.
I felt you push, I heard you call,
I could not see yourself at all!

Yes, indeed its the Holy Spirit working and we feel blessed by the verse, "How much more will the Father in Heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" (Luke 11:13)

Farewell to Rev. Jojoachan by the Parishioners:

Our trustees, PC members and parishioners also bid farewell to Rev. Jojoachan on July 25, 2021 soon after the thanksgiving Qurbana offered in honour of Rev. Jojoachan.

The present trustees Mr. Siby Varghese and Mr. Antony Jose presented the memento to Jojoachan, while our former trustees Mr. Siju John and Mr. Thomas Devassy presented the cash gift on behalf of the parishioners. The staff of Catechism Department also presented the cash gift. Mr. John Abraham captured the sweet memories of Jojoachan and the parishioners in a video



for everyone to treasure. One of the trustees, Mr. Siby Varghese rightly addressed the gathering in praise of a very approachable kochachan. The Cambridge Parish has grown from where it was to where it is now due to the great shepherd Rev. Jojoachan guiding his flock with good care for the past three years.

Just as God has a plan for everyone, He has a plan("I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord" Jeremiah 29:11) for Rev. Jojoachan as His Chosen one. Though the Cambridge Parish will miss him greatly, we are sure his insights will surely help the parishes he will be serving soon. We will continue to remember him in our prayers as he has promised to do so for us as well.

Parish Council Meeting

A parish council meeting was held on July 11, 2021 and the agenda included the transfer of Rev. Jojoachan to Montreal, presentation of accounts, discussions about the first holy communion, the parish database validation, upgrading and updating the parish website, appreciation speeches by Rev. Jojoachan and the committee members.

Upcoming Event

Catechists' Convention: August 28, 2021

ST. THOMAS PARISH, SCARBOROUGH

Canada Day Observed at the Parish

Canada day was observed in a different tone this year in most parts of the country, responding to the call to reflect on the hardships, pain, and trauma the Indigenous Peoples had to go through as victims of the residential school system prevailed since the nineteenth century. As the recent discovery of unmarked graves of several Indigenous children has in-



tensified their pain, community members spent time praying for the victims and stood in solidarity with them amplifying their voices for reconciliation and healing. After the Holy Mass, the National flag was hoisted that stood half-mast.

Feast of St. Thomas, Patron of Our Parish

It was a joyful assembly of parishioners who gathered to celebrate the Dukhrana feast of St. Thomas, who is the heavenly patron of the Syro Malabar Church, and of our Parish on July 2, 3, and 4 after a long break of community celebrations. Though it was in a limited format, the festivities began with a ceremonial flag hoisting on July 2 by Fr. Jose Alencherry, in the presence of Fr. Toby Pulickassery, our Sisters, and 'Presudentees' of



the feast along with the Trustees and many parishioners.

On the second day, the 89 Presudentees, who sponsored and supported the feast were honoured with special prayers and thanksgiving. After the Holy Mass, 'Ladeenju' was offered.

On Sunday the 4th, the most Solemn Form of Liturgy, the solemn Raza was celebrated by Mar. Jose Kalluvilil, Bishop of the Eparchy of Mississauga, with Fr. Anish as the Archdeacon. A significant amount of time in this liturgy is given to reflect on the Bible and the Sleeva, glorifying the basic elements of Syro Malabar faith tradition.



During his homily, Bishop Jose highlighted the need for 'doing more' to magnify the faith that was given to us, citing three dominant characteristics of the deep faith of St. Thomas- the extraordinary religious zeal or enhanced interior spiritual awareness, the commitment that led him to distant places and of the World with the mission of evangelization and the successful outcome of building up the Church in India. Realizing how it worked for Thomas, we must be able to say 'Mar walah' (In Syriac for My Lord, My God), and do more to transfer and ignite the faith among many.

The culminating procession was limited inside the church. Devotees followed the traditional practices of submitting themselves to the saint offering 'nercha', 'kazhunnu' etc. A sumptuous, packed dinner was offered to all those attended. Novena prior to the feast was offered from June 28, this year.

Vegetable Garden-Hard Work Yields Fruit

The Vegetable gardening sponsored by Pithruvedi&Mathruvedi and promoted by the Vicar, has become hugely successful. The produce is made available for auction week after week. The first auction was launched by Bishop Mar. Jose Kalluvilil and was confirmed for Mr. Josekutty Joseph.



Parish Council Meeting-July 10, 2021

An in-person meeting of the parish council was held on July 10, with 20 members. The statement of accounts of the Parish feast and of June were passed. It was decided to deposit the balance of contributions/sponsorships etc. in the building fund. An update of Support fund collected was presented and decided to streamline the efforts to encourage parishioners to pay the dues as early as possible. Plans of raising money from parish Family Units with the pledge forms by small teams visiting homes was also approved. The outcome of the efforts to mobilize people from family units to Catholic Congress in Canada has been successful. Names have been forwarded to the Eparchy.

Rosa Mystica- Feast Day was celebrated on July 13 by Christ in Action, Mathru-vedi and Nurse's ministry together.

Meeting of SMYM Coordinators.

A meeting of the executive teams of SMYM units was organized on July 19 to plan future course of action and celebrations.

The Monthly Food Drive was organized by SMYM International for People living on streets and remaining in encampments on the 25th.



Santarts Meeting:

Efforts are underway to start classes/practice sessions of various musical instruments, Malayalam and dance and to resart Santarts Band. A plan for energizing youngsters through family units to prepare for the Year of St. Joseph celebrations is also envisaged.

Catechetical Activities:

Student Appreciation Events

As a tribute to those students who worked hard and came up with a commendable performance with an 'A' Grade, in spite of the limitations of the pandemic, two student appreciation events were organized for students in Grade 1 to 6 on July 11 and for Grades 7 to 11 on July 18. Medals were presented to honour them.



'Awesome Kids': In appreciation of our 'Awesome kids' of 2021 a special function was also organized for the kids in Junior and Senior Kindergarten classes, on Sunday, July 25 following the 11.00 a.m. Holy Mass.

All kids in those Grades received 'Awesome kids' Medal and Appreciation.

Summer Events for Students

Summer Programs organized by our Associate Youth Catechists are underway now. Various events offered include:

- ◆ Public Speaking - (Second batch open)
- ◆ Baking Workshops with a baking Kit, (Second batch open)

CATECHESIS STUDENT APPRECIATION EVENT

GRADES 1-6

SUMMER EVENTS 2021

BROUGHT TO YOU BY YOUTH ASSOCIATE

St. Thomas Egan Memorial Catholic Parish Church
Kottayam, Kerala

What we are offering for Catechism students (Grades 5 & Up):

01 Public Speaking Workshops (2x/week) by Fr. John Mathewkutty	04 Poetry & Creative Writing (2x/week) by Fr. John Mathewkutty
02 Baking Workshops (2x/week) by Fr. John Mathewkutty	05 Hike & Picnic day (2x/week) by Fr. John Mathewkutty
03 Meditation sessions (2x/week) by Fr. John Mathewkutty	06 Play script (2x/week) by Fr. John Mathewkutty

Stay cool Covid-19 Regulations

For 10 persons max. we will have limited number of persons at the same time. Wearing a mask, maintaining 1m distance.

- ◆ Poetry & Creative Writing
- ◆ Meditation
- ◆ Hiking & Picnic-August 20
- ◆ Play Day-August 27

First Holy Communion Preparations

In person preparatory classes are continuing every Saturday. This year, the solemn reception of First Holy Communion will be celebrated on August 14.

Upcoming Parish Events

- August 1 - 4: Unit level assessment of vegetable garden
- 7: Parish level assessment of vegetable garden
- 7: Parish Picnic - 10.00 am to 7 pm
- 8: Meeting of the Parents of First Communicants; class by Fr. Toby Pulikkaserry and their confession.
- 14: First Solemn Reception of Holy Communion at 11.00 am
- 15: Feast of Assumption and India's Independence Day: India Flag Hoisting - After the 9.00 am Mass launching of the Pre-Authorized Pledge plan - Community Appreciation of Grade 12 Graduates on Honour Roll and Youth Associates: Sunday, August 15, following the 9.00a.m. Holy Mass. 5.00 pm Mass: Celebration of the Feast of Assumption
- 21: 10.30 am Parish Council
- 31: 7.00 pm Combined Zoom conference of Parish Council, Social and Finance Coordinators, members of Finance and Building Committees

Family Apostolate

Grand Parents Day

The Family Apostolate organized a webinar on July 24 as a tribute to Seniors and Grandparents- the eminent men and women who have contributed much to Community building and Family wellbeing in connection with the Worldwide observance of Grandparents Day announced by Pope Francis. Mar. Jose Pulickal, Bishop of Kanjirappally gave the keynote presentation.

Mar Jose Kalluvellil inaugurated the session. Fr. Jose explained the various efforts to serve the seniors and Grand parents to assist in graceful aging, in the natural course.

Holy Mass for Seniors: Observing the Grandparents and Seniors Day Mar Jose Kalluvellil celebrated a special Mass honoring Grandparents and Seniors of the parish on Sunday, July 25 at 5.00 p.m. Dinner was served to all the invitees. Mr. Davis Kattookkaran offered a note of appreciation and thanks. The various stage programs were well appreciated.

Competitions for Couples: Family Apostolate conducted Skit and Dance competitions virtually for couples in connection with the 'Year of St. Joseph' celebrations. Entrees of Skit by Couples (10 minutes) based on the life of St. Joseph, and Couple's dance- (7 minutes) or Group Dance (married people only) are being reviewed now. Parish level winners are selected to the Eparchial level.

Marriage Preparation Course

A New batch of youngsters preparing to get married attended Marriage Preparation course held on July 24, 25 & 26 virtually. 30 Persons attended. Mar Jose Kalluvellil, Fr. Jose Alencherry, Fr. Jacob Edakalathoor, Fr. Bobby Muttathuvalayil, Mr. Renjit Xavier, Mr. Johnson Irimpan, Mr. Shaji Augustine, Mrs. Jalaja Benny, Mrs. Smitha John, Mr. Tony Chirayilakalam, Mr. Tito Jose, and Mr. Shaji K. Philip were the resource persons. A very special thanks to the team.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 28, 29: Eparchial level assessment of the competitions.

Next Marriage Preparation Courses: September 11-13, November 13-15; December 18-20

ST. JOSEPH PARISH KINGSTONE

The children from the mission church in Belleville participated in the Bible reading conducted by Bible ministry of Eparchy of Mississauga for a week during June 2021. Elizabeth Joseph, Jacob Joseph, Alyssa Raju, Gracy Joseph, Nancy Joseph and Cisilia Kocherry took turns, each reading the Bible for 30 minutes.

The parish council held a meeting by video conference on Saturday, 10th July 2021, to discuss church events.

The Grandparents day was celebrated during the monthly Qurbana on Sunday, 18th July 2021. Our parish priest Fr. Joseph Alencherry offered special blessings for the grandparents present at the Qurbana.

Fr. Joseph also prayed and offered special blessings to children who had birthdays during the week of 18th July.

The St. Joseph's year talent fest preparations for competitions of Pious association children are expected to be held during the forth coming months.





HOLY FAMILY PARISH, HALIFAX

Holy Mass

Holy Family Church, Halifax continues to celebrate Holy Qurbana on Sundays as per the updated provincial rules and guidelines. As per the new provincial guidelines, a gathering of maximum 150 people is allowed and around 150 faithful attend the Holy Qurbana every Sunday. The weekday masses are celebrated with a limited number of participants in the chapel at St. John the Baptist Church and streamed on zoom platform at 7.30 am on the weekdays. The confessions are made available with prior appointments on weekdays and from 4.00 pm to 6.00 pm on Saturdays

Feast of Dhukhrana

The Syro Malabar Catholic community in Halifax divinely commemorated the Feast of St. Thomas on July 3rd with Holy Qurbana at 7.30 am and 10.00 am. The first ever Solemn Holy Communion celebration of our dear kids in the parish along with the 10 am Mass added joy and solemnity to this feast day.

Catechism

Sunday Catechism classes are all over and have entered a 2-month summer vacation. Due to Covid 19 provincial regulations, all summer onsite activities are cancelled. Awaiting new friends and a new academic session 2021 - 2022. Catechism classes for the year 2021 - 2022 will commence in the first week of September.

St. Joseph's Year Talent Fest

PAC is organizing a Talent Fest for the students of Grade Pre-Primary to Grade 8 as part of St. Joseph's year. Singing, storytelling and elocution are the competition items. They are conducted at Parish level first and the winners will be qualified for Forane level and then for Diocesan level. Children are getting prepared for that.

Solemn Holy Communion

Finally, after a long wait and preparation, five children from our parish received their Solemn Holy Communion on July 3rd, the feast day of Dhukhrana. Our Vicar, Rev. Fr. Joseph Kizhakkedath together with Rev. Fr. Jose Thomas and Rev. Fr. Thomas Thekkekara celebrated the Holy Qurbana. Three children received the Sacrament of Confirmation also on the same day. Quoting the words of the children, receiving Jesus Christ in the form of a small bread was a different experience and the most blessed moment in their lives. Due to covid 19 restrictions the date was postponed many times and finally with the participation of 100 people the blessed moment took place. This was the first ever Solemn Holy Communion ceremony in the parish.



Grand Parents Day

The first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly was celebrated on 25th July, 2021 in the parish. We thankfully honored all the grandparents in the community and presented a bouquet of flowers as a token of our love and care for them.

ST. MOTHER TERESA PARISH OTTAWA

Consecration to St. Joseph

Parish decided to conduct the consecration to St. Joseph spread over 33 days. 26 families had registered, and the introductory session was led by Rev. Fr. Roy Palatty CMI. The culmination of the consecration prayer will be on August 21 and the participants will be joining the pilgrimage to St. Joseph Oratory, Montreal.

Year of St. Joseph

A committee has been formed at the Parish level to collate and organize events in relation to the Year of St Joseph. All the children, youth and adults have been invited to participate in the competitions organized by the Central Committee of the Year of St. Joseph in the Eparchy of Mississauga.

Congratulations-Logos Bee 3rd Place

Mr. Niju Joseph Ambakkadan and family won the third place in the Logos Bee Bible Quiz organized by the Eparchy. Hearty Congratulations!



Intercessory Prayer Group

An Intercessory Prayer Group was formed in the parish to pray for the special intentions of the parish. The inaugural session was conducted on July 10, 2021. Rev. Fr. Sony Vazhakattu, Director of Zion Retreat Center Dwaraka, Mananthavady led the session giving a talk on the importance of intercessory prayer in a parish.

Feast of St. Alphonsa

Feast of St. Alphonsa was celebrated on July 28 under the leadership of St. Alphonsa Family Unit, Kanata. Families from the Kanata family unit joined for the Holy Qurbana at 7:00PM at St. John the Baptist Ukrainian shrine

Department of Catechesis

The Department of Catechism under the leadership of Fr. Augustine K, Principal and Catechism teachers organized the Annual Day of catechism on July 11. This virtual event was a great success and accompanied by cultural programs by students and award ceremony. All the catechism teachers were appreciated for their committed ministry in the faith formation during the program. Mr. Santhosh George, Principal, Tresa Varghese, Vice Principal, Dona Nelson, Program Cooodinator and the catechism teachers organized the program.

Knights of Columbus

St Mother Teresa council members supported actively the nomination of Bro David Peters to the supreme council as a State Deputy for Ontario. Also under his leadership and joint efforts by all the parishes including Ottawa, Ontario has been declared as the winner of a Pinnacle award.

ST. MOTHER THERESSA PARISH, CALGARY

Feast of Dukhrana

The Feast of Dukhrana was celebrated solemnly. Solemn Mass begun with Ledinju. Fr. Jose Kalathiparambil also joined the celebration. After the mass Parish community wished the Pastor the blessings of his patron saint. Cutting of Festal cake was done by all who have the name St. Thomas.



Grandparents Day

Grandparents were honored on July 25 after the morning Mass. They were given flowers by the Pastor.



Thirunal General Body

To discuss about the celebration of the parish feast, a general body was convened on July 25 after the morning Mass

ST. ALPHONSA PARISH, VANCOUVER

Catechism

Appreciation of Grade 12 Graduates

Nine students from grade 12 catechism class graduated in this academic year. A Parish level appreciation ceremony of the graduates was conducted on July 4th, during the Holy Qurbana.



Faith Fest 2021

Faith Fest 2021, which concludes the Catechetical academic year was conducted on July 5th and 12th. This year it was a special experience of socialization following the 18 months of social isolation due to the COVID 19 pandemic. The two days were days of prayer, fun, activities and learning. The youth of our parish, under the guidance of the catechetical team, led the activities



CHRIST THE KING PARISH SASKATOON

Family Unit Meeting

Family unit meetings were held. It was held in the church itself on Sundays after the first mass at 11.00 am. Most of the families had turned up for the meeting. One family unit suggested to have the future monthly meetings in the same fashion, in the church after the first mass on first Sunday at 11.00 am. The other unit prefers to have it in one of the volunteered families. It was a joyful reunion after a long gap caused by the pandemic.

Parish Council

Parish Council was held on Saturday, July 17 at 10.30 am. The report of the meeting and the monthly financial account were presented and approved. Various programs to promote still the unity and strength were discussed and scheduled accordingly.

Nurses' Ministry

- July 1 to 31:** Prayer tool for the month is Tears of Blood Rosary.
July 12, 13: Participated in chain rosary led by the International Team
July 14: General Body Meeting
July 19, 20: Participated in Leaders' Meet led by International Team
July 20: Monthly prayer for Saskatoon NM by International Team
July 30 10 pm to July 31 12.30 am: Night Vigil by International Team

Other Activities:

- Every Friday – Adoration at St. Michael's Church from 5.30 pm
- Weekly prayer for 3 NM Families
- Every Monday – prayer gathering at NM member's house

Upcoming Events:

1. Parish Picnic
2. Parish Pilgrimage
3. SMYM International Mass
4. Parish Council Meeting
5. Family Unit Meeting

ST. MARY'S MISSION, LLOYDMINSTER

Feast of St. Thomas

There was Solemn Holy Mass held on July 3, Saturday to celebrate the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle. With all the restrictions lifted in this province, all the families participated in this Feast day Mass. The next mass will be celebrated on July 24. On that day there will be the celebration of the Grand Parents' Day.

Upcoming Events:

Grand Parents' Day Celebration

ST. MOTHER THERESA MISSION, NORTH BATTLEFORD

Feast of St. Thomas

There was Solemn Holy Mass held on July 3, Saturday to celebrate the feast of St. Thomas the Apostle. With all the restrictions lifted in this province, all the families participated in this Feast day Mass.

Family Visit and Blessing

The Pastor visited the families and had the annual blessing on July 9, Friday and July 10, Saturday. There was a schedule prepared ahead with the availability of families. 17 families had picked the time slots. This visit was indeed a spiritual enrichment and helped to build a close bond between the Pastor and the family members. A second round of visit and blessing has been scheduled for July 30, Friday and July 31, Saturday.

Upcoming Events:

1. Grand Parents' Day Celebration
2. Family Visits and Blessing
3. Parish Picnic

ST. JUDE PARISH, WINNIPEG

PARISH REPORT – KEY HIGHLIGHTS

Parish Update

Celebrated our St. Thomas Feast on Sunday July the 4th with 3 days Novena. Fr. Tomy lead solemn Holy Qurbana followed by 4.30PM Rosary. 30 people attended Solemn Holy Qurbana. After the solemn Holy Qurbana had a small procession inside the church. Pre-packaged Nercha for Holy Qurbana attendees was provided by the St. Thomas Prayer Unit.



Celebrated 51st Birthday of our beloved parish Priest Fr. Tomy by Parish Members



St. Mary's Prayer Unit conducted first summer meeting at St. Vital park on July 14. Around 25 people joined the meeting.

St. Thomas Prayer held their summer family gathering on Sunday July the 4th after Holy Qurbana at St. Vital park. Around 50 people gathered into 2 small groups

July 25th St Jude Parish celebrated St. Alphonsa feast (feast day is July 28th) with Rosary, Holy Qurbana and a small procession inside the church. Around 150 people attended the Qurbana within Provincial Covid-19 Guidelines



St. Alphonsa Prayer Unit members held a family get together to celebrate St. ALphonsa Feast at St. Vital Park



Jesus Youth Update (May 2021)

- ❑ Divine Mercy Chaplet: Daily 2.45pm via Zoom.
- ❑ Campus Prayer Meeting (Malayalam): Monday, 8.30-10pm via Zoom.
- ❑ Teens Prayer Meeting July 3rd and 17th , 6-8pm at King's Park.
- ❑ Campus/Young Adult Prayer meeting (English) July 12th and 26th, 7-8.30pm at King's Park.
- ❑ JY Household Meeting: July 25th, 9-10.30am via Zoom.

Social Apostolate & Outreach Update

- ❑ Used clothes collected and sent to a rural community Up-north of Manitoba for need people
- ❑ SMYM along with St Jude Parish held a Virtual event for international youth students in Winnipeg

Catechism

- ❑ Vacation started from June 1st till August end.
- ❑ Holy communion classes, on line rosary on every Thursday and Kids Qurbana on every Saturday are continued.

JULY 2021

BISHOP'S DIARY

Date Time Program

2	10.30 am 06.30 pm	Meeting with SMYM National Leaders DALO Meeting
3	08.30 am 11.30 am	Celebrated Feast of Dukhranaat St Alphonsa Cathedral Administered First Holy Communion at Cathedral
4	10.00 am 05.00 pm	Celebrated Holy Qurbana at Cathedral Celebrated Raza Qurbana on the Parish Feast Day of Forane Church, Scarborough
5	11.00 am	Monthly Recollection for Priests and Sisters
6	09.30 am	Inaugurated Summer Camp of DAL
7	11.00 am 09.00 pm	Presided over the Curia Meeting Joined in the Benediction and Rosary with DAL and PAC Team
10	11.00 am	Administered Holy Communion and Confirmation at Cathedral
11	10.00 am	Celebrated PAC Thanksgiving Qurbana at Cathedral
12	11.00 am 06.30 pm	Presided over the Curia Meeting Joined in the Appraisal Meeting of DALO Summer Camp
13	11.30 am 07.30 pm	Presided over the Presbyterium Meeting Celebrated Holy Qurbana at Cathedral
14	11.00 am 07.30 pm 09.00 pm	Joined in the Meeting of Carters Law Firm Celebrated Holy Qurbana at Cathedral Joined in the Benediction and Rosary with DAL and PAC Team
15	07.30 pm	Celebrated Holy Qurbana at Cathedral
16	08.30 am	Celebrated Holy Qurbana and Feast of Mount Carmel at CMC
17	11.00 am	Administered the Funeral Services of Aron S/o Abraham
18	08.30 am 05.00 pm	Celebrated Holy Qurbana at Cathedral Administered First Holy Communion at St Alphonsa Parish Cambridge

21	10.30 am 11.00 am 08.00 pm 09.00 pm	Joined in the Group Insurance Discussion with ACBO Team Presided over the Curia Meeting Presided over the SMYM Core Team Meeting Joined in the Benediction and Rosary with DAL And PAC Team
22	05.00 pm 08.30 pm	Discussed on MOU with Archdiocese of Montreal Presided over the Finance Council Meeting
24	01.00 pm 04.00 pm 07.00 pm	Joined in the ISSSAC Board Meeting Class in Marriage Preparation Course Presided over the Grand Parent's Day Seminar
25	10.00 am 05.00 pm	Celebrated Holy Qurbana on Parish Feast Day at Cathedral. Grand parents and Elders Day Celebration at St Thomas Forane Parish, Scarborough
26	08.30 am 06.30 pm	Celebrated Holy Qurbana and Ruby Jubilee Celebration of Rev. Sr Jeslin CMC Joined in the DALO Board Meeting
27	08.30 pm	Memorial Meeting of H.H Mar Baselios Marthoma Paulose II, at St Gregorious Indian Orthodox Church, Lake view.
28	11.00 am	Visited St Richard's Parish Montreal
29-31		Prayer Day at St Joseph's Oratory Montreal

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| 29 | ഞായർ | 2 തെസ 3:13-18, മർക്കോ. 2:13-17 |
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