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POPE'S MESSAGE



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“Jesus, who came into the world as a child, believes in a world on a child’s scale, on the scale of everyone. He made us understand this by being born in Bethlehem. But even today, He makes Himself close to the children of every country and people, and He does so every day. It is the style of God, which is described in three words: closeness, compassion and tenderness. This is God’s style, there is no other.”



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EDITORIAL

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

Feast of the Nativity of Christ is most profound and joyous, serving as the basis and foundation for all the other Feasts.

We celebrate God's entry into our everydayness. Our Nativity scenes remind us that God has taken flesh like ours as one of the humblest. St Luke's Gospel invites us to enter the scene with the shepherds, Mary, and St Joseph; all of them are very simple and ordinary people.

Bishop Bosco Puthur's this year's Christmas message quotes a beautiful verse from the Syro Malabar liturgy of the hours, "God our Father, we thank you for this singular manifestation of your Love for us" (Liturgy of the Hours, Syro-Malabar Liturgy). Christ, the Love, simply the news of God's nearness. This nativity season calls us to enter deeply into the mystery and the grace to be so awed that words cannot suffice.

As another extraordinary year draws close, the eparchy community has had an incredible year. Our Bishop and the eparchy administration have travelled extensively in Australia and New Zealand to set up missions and communities in the remote areas of Australia and New Zealand. We have so many beautiful stories of God's endless care for the folks of the Eparchy. We want to take this opportunity to thank our clergy. Parish/mission level leadership, pastoral council, departments, and ministries and above all, the Syro-Malabar faithful of Australia and Oceania for their incredible hard work and support.

Our Eparchial departments of catechesis, family and youth have organised several initiatives this year to foster faith and catechesis for our families, children, and young people. Other ministries and pious associations have been busy with retreats, prayer ministries and other services.

The highlight of this year was SMYM Unite conference, where 600 young people from across Australia, New Zealand and Singapore gathered with the motto of renewing themselves, rebuilding and revolutionising the church, there by celebrating Christ. Unite was an incredible experience for the young people; it was, indeed, the biggest Syro-Malabar event in Oceania. Congratulations to our SMYM team!

We wish our eparchy community the best wishes for a peaceful, blessed Christmas. We sincerely hope you all have an opportunity to experience the real meaning of Christmas, enjoy the festivities of the New Year and spend quality time with loved ones. 2022 has been a special year for the Eparchy, with much to celebrate.

We look forward to a grace-filled 2023 to continue journeying together towards Christ!

Blessed Christmas!



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BISHOP'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Jesus Christ,

In the Nativity narrative of the Gospel, the Angel said, "To you is born this day a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord" (Lk 2:11). He tells the shepherds: "This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a manger" (v. 12). Only a child! Nothing else, as Isaiah had foretold: "unto us a child is born" (Is 9:6).

Standing before the crib, we contemplate what is central, in the Gospel. We contemplate the child. In his littleness, God is completely present. Let us acknowledge this: "Baby Jesus, you are my God, the God who becomes a child". The eternal Word is an "infant", a speechless child. The Creator of the world has no home. God comes into the world in littleness.

Let us ask ourselves: can we accept God's way of doing things? This is the challenge of Christmas. This is what we should ask Jesus for at Christmas: the grace of littleness. "Lord, teach us to love littleness. Help us to understand that littleness is the way to authentic greatness". What does it mean, concretely, to accept littleness? In the first place, it is to believe that God desires to come into the little things of

our life; he wants to inhabit our daily lives, the things we do each day at home, in our families, at school, and in the workplace. Amid our ordinary lived experience, he wants to do extraordinary things. His is a message of immense hope. Jesus asks us to rediscover and value the little things in life.

Jesus does not want to come merely in the little things of our lives, but also in our own littleness: in our experience of feeling weak, frail, inadequate, perhaps even "messed up". Dear sisters or brothers, if, as in Bethlehem, the darkness of night overwhelms you, if you feel surrounded by cold indifference, if the hurt you carry inside cries out, God answers back. He tells you: "I love you just as you are".

To accept littleness also means embracing Jesus in the little ones of today. Loving Him, that is, in the least of our brothers and sisters. Serving Him in the poor.

Look at the crib, and we see that at his birth, Jesus is surrounded by the little ones, by the poor.

Christmas is a lesson in going to the roots, going back to the child Jesus in the crib. It is the Gospel of Christian counterculture.

+Bishop Bosco Puthur



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ബൈബിൾ ഞായർ 2022

പ്രിയ വൈദികരെ, സഹോദരീസഹോദരൻമാരെ, കുഞ്ഞുമക്കളേ,

ഈ വർഷത്തെ ബൈബിൾ ഞായറിന് ഒരു സവിശേഷതയുണ്ട്. ഫ്രാൻസിസ് മാർപ്പാപ്പ ദൈവവചന ഞായർ (Sunday of the word of God) ഒരു അപ്പസ്തോലിക ലേഖനം വഴി നിശ്ചയിച്ചിരിക്കുകയാണ്. സെപ്റ്റംബർ മൂന്നാം തീയതി വിശുദ്ധ ജെറോമിന്റെ തിരുനാൾ ദിവസം **Aperuit illis** എന്ന ലേഖനം വഴി റോമൻ ക്രമത്തിലെ സാധാരണ ആഴ്ചകളിലെ മൂന്നാം ആഴ്ച ബൈബിൾ ഞായറായി ആചരിക്കുവാനാണ് ഫ്രാൻസിസ് പാപ്പായുടെ ആഹ്വാനം. ഹീബ്രു ഭാഷയും ഗ്രീക്ക് ഭാഷയും പഠിച്ചു ബൈബിൾ മൂലകൃതിയിൽ നിന്ന് ലാറ്റിൻ ഭാഷയിലേക്ക് മൊഴിമാറ്റം വരുത്തിയ പണ്ഡിതനായ വിശുദ്ധ ജെറോമിന്റെ വാക്കുകൾ പ്രശസ്തമാണ്. ദൈവവചനത്തെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള അജ്ഞത മിശിഹായെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള അജ്ഞതയാണ്. വിശുദ്ധ ജെറോമിന്റെ 1600-ാം ചരമവാർഷികം കൂടിയാണ് ഈ വർഷമെന്നത് സവിശേഷ ശ്രദ്ധ ആകർഷിക്കുന്നു. എമ്മാവൂസിലേക്കു നടന്ന ശിഷ്യൻ മാർക്ക് ഉത്ഥാനം ചെയ്ത മിശിഹാ പ്രത്യക്ഷനായി ദൈവവചനം ഗ്രഹിക്കുവാൻ അവരുടെ മനസ്സു തുറന്നു എന്നതിന്റെ ആദ്യ പദങ്ങളാണ് **Aperuit illis** (ലൂക്ക 24: 13-35). ദൈവവചന വായന അർത്ഥപൂർണ്ണമാകണമെങ്കിൽ പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവിന്റെ ചൈതന്യം കൂടിയേ തീരൂ. പണ്ടെന്നോ നടന്ന ഒരു ചരിത്ര സംഭവത്തെ ഇന്ന് ജീവസുന്ദരതാക്കി മാറ്റി മനുഷ്യഹൃദയങ്ങളെ ഉൾക്കാഴ്ചകളിലേക്കു നയിക്കുവാൻ പര്യാപ്തമാക്കുന്നത് പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവിന്റെ പ്രേരണയാണ്. അതിനാൽ ഫ്രാൻസിസ് മാർപ്പാപ്പ എഴുതുന്നു ബൈബിളിനെ സജീവദൈവവചനമാക്കി ഇന്നും മനുഷ്യഹൃദയങ്ങളിലേക്ക് അനുഭവമായി പകരുന്നത് പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവിന്റെ പ്രവർത്തനം വഴിയാണ്.

ഈ വർഷം ഡിസംബർ 4 ഞായർ (ഡിസംബർ മാസത്തിലെ ആദ്യ ഞായർ) ആണ് നമ്മുടെ രൂപതയിൽ ബൈബിൾ ഞായർ ആയി ആചരിക്കുന്നത്. ഈ വർഷത്തെ ബൈബിൾ ഞായർ പ്രമേയമായി നിർദ്ദേശിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത് 'ദൈവപരിപാലനയിൽ ആശ്രയിക്കുക' എന്ന ഭാഗമാണ് (മത്തായി 6: 25-34). ഈശോമിശിഹായുടെ ദൈവരാജ്യ പ്രഘോഷണത്തിന്റെ രത്നച്ചുരുക്കമായി മലയിലെ പ്രസംഗത്തെ എടുത്തു കാണിക്കുന്നു. മലയിലെ പ്രസംഗത്തിലെ ഒരു പ്രധാന ഭാഗമാണിത്.

ജീവൻ ഭക്ഷണത്തെക്കാൾ ശ്രേഷ്ഠമല്ലേ? ശരീരം വസ്ത്രത്തെക്കാൾ ശ്രേഷ്ഠമല്ലേ? എന്നു ചോദിക്കുന്നതിലൂടെ ദൈവചരായയിൽ

സൃഷ്ടിക്കപ്പെട്ടിട്ടുള്ള മനുഷ്യൻ ദൈവതിരുമുമ്പിൽ ശ്രേഷ്ഠനാണ് എന്നു ഉന്നിഷ്ഠനുകയാണ് ചെയ്യുന്നത്. ദൈവത്തിന്റെ ഹൃദയത്തിലാണ് അവന്റെ സ്ഥാനം. അവന്റെ യഥാർത്ഥ ആവശ്യങ്ങൾ കർത്താവ് അറിയുന്നു. നിശ്ചയമായും എല്ലാം അവിടുന്ന് അവനു നൽകും. അങ്ങനെയെങ്കിൽ മനുഷ്യൻ എന്തിനാണ് ഉന്നതം കൊടുക്കേണ്ടത്? എപ്പോഴും എവിടെയും ദൈവരാജ്യം അന്വേഷിക്കുക. ദൈവരാജ്യത്തിനായി യത്നിക്കാൻ മാത്രമാണ് ഈശോ മനുഷ്യരോട് ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നത്. 'നിങ്ങൾക്കു ഇതെല്ലാം ആവശ്യമാണെന്ന് നിങ്ങളുടെ പിതാവിനറിയാം. നിങ്ങൾ അവിടുത്തെ രാജ്യം അന്വേഷിക്കുവിൻ' (ലൂക്ക 12: 30-31). പക്ഷികളെയും ഖടികളെയും തീറ്റിപ്പോറ്റുന്ന ദൈവം അവയ്ക്കു നൽകുന്നതിനെക്കാൾ കൂടുതലായ പരിഗണന മനുഷ്യർക്കു നൽകും.

ഭക്ഷണം, വസ്ത്രം, പാർപ്പിടം, ധനസമ്പാദനം എന്നീ ആവശ്യങ്ങളിൽ മനുഷ്യപ്രയത്നം മുഴുവൻ ചെലവഴിക്കുന്ന ഒരു ജീവിത തത്വസംഹിത വച്ചു പുലർത്തുന്നവർക്കു ഈശോ നൽകുന്ന മറുപടി, അവർ വ്യർഥത്തിലാണ് ജീവിതം ഉറപ്പിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നത് എന്നതാണ്. ദൈവം അവനോടു പറഞ്ഞു 'ഭോഷാ ഈ രാത്രിയിൽ നിന്റെ ആത്മാവിനെ നിന്നിൽ നിന്നും ആവശ്യപ്പെടും. അപ്പോൾ നീ ഒരുകി വച്ചിരിക്കുന്നവ ആരുടേതാകും'. (ലൂക്ക 12: 20)

ദൈവാശ്രയം, സ്നേഹബന്ധങ്ങൾ, സാഹോദര്യം, ത്യാഗം, പരോൻമുഖ ജീവിതം എന്നീ ദൈവരാജ്യമൂല്യങ്ങൾ മുറുകെപ്പിടിക്കാൻ ആവർത്താവർത്തിച്ചുള്ള ആഹ്വാനമാണ് ഈ സുവിശേഷ ഭാഗം വഴി ഈശോ നൽകുന്നത്. വലിയ സഹനങ്ങളിലൂടെ കടന്നു പോകുമ്പോഴും, കുരിശിൽ മരിക്കുമ്പോഴും എല്ലാം നശ്വരമാണെന്നും, ക്ഷമിച്ചു കൊണ്ട് ശത്രുവിനെ പോലും നേടുമ്പോൾ വ്യക്തികളാണ് പ്രധാനപ്പെട്ടതെന്നും ഈശോ ജീവിച്ചു കാണിച്ചു. അനുസരണ വഴി പിതാവിന്റെ പ്രിയ പുത്രനായി തീർന്നു. പരമകാരുണികനായ ദൈവത്തിനു പ്രിയപ്പെട്ടവരാകുവാൻ തടസ്സമായി വരുന്നവരെയെല്ലാം നമുക്കുപേക്ഷിക്കാം. ഈ പരിശ്രമത്തിൽ പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവ് നമുക്കു ശക്തി പകർന്നു തരട്ടെ. കുടുംബങ്ങളിലും ഇടവക സമൂഹത്തിലും നടത്താനുള്ള പരിപാടികൾ അന്യത്ര ചേർത്തിരിക്കുന്നു.

മിശിഹായിൽ സ്നേഹപൂർവ്വം,
1 ഡിസംബർ 2022 ബോസ്കോ പിതാവ്



2022 ബൈബിൾ വാരം/ബൈബിൾ ഞായർ പ്രവർത്തനങ്ങൾ

1. ബൈബിൾ പ്രതിഷ്ഠ

A) ഇടവക സമൂഹത്തിനു വേണ്ടി വിശുദ്ധ കുർബാന അർപ്പിക്കുന്നു. പള്ളിയിൽ/ഹാളിൽ വചനഗ്രന്ഥം/കത്തിച്ച തിരികൾ/പുക്കൾ/മറ്റു അലങ്കാരങ്ങൾ/എല്ലാവരും വന്നു ബൈബിൾ തൊട്ടു വണങ്ങുന്നു.

വായന: യോഹ:1:15, 1418

B) ഓരോ ഭവനത്തിലും പ്രാർഥനാമുറിയിൽ - വചനഗ്രന്ഥം/കത്തിച്ച തിരികൾ/പുക്കൾ/മറ്റു അലങ്കാരങ്ങൾ/എല്ലാവരും വന്നു ബൈബിൾ തൊട്ടു വണങ്ങുന്നു.

വായന: യോഹ: 1: 15, 1418

2. ബൈബിൾ നാലി: പള്ളി ചുറ്റി/പള്ളിമുറ്റത്ത്

വചനഗ്രന്ഥം/കത്തിച്ച തിരികൾ/തോരണങ്ങൾ/കൊടികൾ ഗാനങ്ങൾ: ജീവനേകും ദൈവവചനം, സുവിശേഷ വെളിച്ചത്താൽ

3. പ്രസംഗ വിഷയം - കുട്ടികൾക്ക്:

ബൈബിളിലെ മഹാവ്യക്തിത്വങ്ങൾ

പള്ളികളിൽ/കുടുംബക്കൂട്ടായ്മകളിൽ

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8. Bible Idioms & Phrases-Images & parables in English Literature - For Adults



"GOD OUR FATHER, WE THANK YOU FOR THIS SINGULAR MANIFESTATION OF YOUR LOVE FOR US."

(Liturgy of the Hours, Syro-Malabar Liturgy)

With the blessings of the Feast of the Nativity of our Lord, Christmas Greetings to you

BLESSED
Christmas

+ Bosco Puthur

BISHOP,
SYRO-MALABAR EPARCHY OF ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, MELBOURNE



Eparchy News



Farewell



Fr Leonse Moosariparambil



Fr Sabu Adimakkil

Welcome



Rev. Dr. Siby Pulickal



Rev. Dr. John Puthuva



Rev. Fr. Joby Tharanilyil

*Congratulations &
Prayerful Wishes*

40th JUBILEE OF PRIESTHOOD

**Rev Dr Frederick
Eluvathingal (Fr Fredy)**



New Appointments

FR SIBY PULICKAL

Vicar, St Alphonsa Parish Adelaide Central &
Vicar St Mary's Parish Adelaide South

FR JOHN PUTHUVA

Chaplain, St Mary's Mission, New Castle, NSW

FR SIBY THANICKAL MCBS

Chaplain, St Mary's Mission, Wagga Wagga, NSW

FR TIJO PUTHENPARAMBIL

Chaplain, St Mary's Mission, Sunshine Coast, QLD

Come & See Discernment Retreat for Young Adults



He said to them, "Come and see." John 1:39

COME & SEE

Vocational Discernment program for men aged 18+

DECEMBER 7-9, 2022

SAINT PAUL'S RETREAT CENTRE
11 NORTONS LANE, WANTIRNA SOUTH, VIC 3152

For more Information & Registration



SYRO-MALABAR EPARCHY OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE, MELBOURNE

This retreat is designed to assist young adults both men and women aged over 18 to discern their vocation and who are seriously thinking about the diocesan priesthood/ women religious life. The retreat was time away from participant's daily routine and provide an opportunity for personal prayer and reflection to examine God's call; to listen to inspiring talks and guidance for discernment process; learn the tools of discernment, sharpen your discerning skills, one-on-one time with spiritual direction from a priest and Q & A/discussions with seminarians/ PRIESTS / Nuns.

The retreat has been well attended and took place at Saint Pauls Retreat Centre, 11 Nortons Lane , Wantirna South, VIC 3152 on Dec 09-12 for women and Dec 7-9 for Men.

For more information regarding future retreat please contact your local parish priests. ●



Bishop's Pastoral Visit to SYRO-MALABAR COMMUNITIES IN NEW ZEALAND



St Marys Syro-Malabar Mission, Hastings



St Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Mission, Wanganui



St Chavara Syro-Malabar Mission New Plymouth



St Joseph Syro-Malabar Mission Palmerstone North





Syro-Malabar Community in Nelson



Syro-Malabar Community in Graymout



Syro-Malabar Community in Christchurch



Syro-Malabar Community in Dunedin NZ





Syro-Malabar Community in Wellington



Sacred heart Syro- Malabar Mission Hamilton



Syro- Malabar National Meeting of New Zealand 2022 , held at Napier



Bishop Bosco with Archbishop Novatus Rugambwa, Apostolic Nuncio to New Zealand





Department/ Ministries Updates



DEPARTMENT OF CATECHESIS

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2022

LOGOS QUIZ 2022

The department conducted the third Logos Quiz on 8th October 2022. More than 123 contestants from 31 parishes/missions across Oceania participated in the competition. Daiby Shiji of St. Mary's mission Wagga Wagga and Prabha Dijo from St. Alphonsa Parish Canberra scored 100% marks and became the winners of the competition. Other winners from different categories were also recognised for their outstanding efforts.



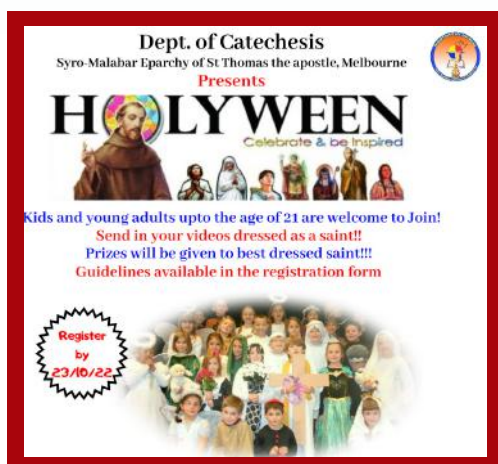
LAUDATO SI - 5.0 PRINCIPALS CONFERENCE

Fifth Principals conference was conducted on 5th November 2022 via Zoom. During the meeting, the department honoured all outgoing principals and secretaries for their outstanding commitment and hard work during their tenure as Principals & secretaries. book page.



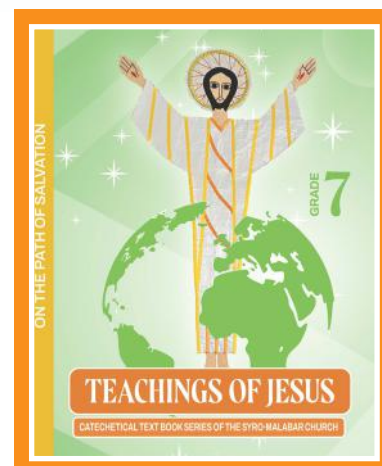
HOLYWEEN CELEBRATING THE SAINTS

The department encouraged catechism students and young adults of the eparchy to participate in the Holyween competition to dress up like a saint and prepare small video to celebrate all saint's day called all Hallows day on 1st November. Many children from various parishes across Oceania participated in the competition. All the entries were uploaded on the departments facebook page.



REVISED YEAR 7 TEXT BOOK

With the direction of Most Rev Bishop Bosco Puthur, vicar general Rev. Fr. Francis Kolencherry, and the dedication of the review team led by catechism director Rev. Fr. Mathew Areplackal, the department announced the release of revised year 7 text book, teachings of Jesus and invited orders from the catechism centres. The revised textbook will be available from third week of Jan 2023 for distribution.



DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY APOSTOLATE

OCTOBER - DECEMBER 2022

ONLINE MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Online Marriage Preparation course was conducted via Zoom in November 2022 on 17th, 18th, 19th, 24th, 25th and 26th from 6.45pm to 10.15pm (AEDT) total of 6 days in a two week period.

60 registered participants attended the course. Attendees were from various parts of Australia, New Zealand and UAE.

Course completion certificates were issued to all participants.

Resource persons were from various backgrounds and we had priests, medical professionals, married couples etc to take various sessions.

Daily sessions were concluded with Eucharistic adoration. Offered a 30 min online session for spouses with a priest for sharing and prayer together.



MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE (Online)

**FEB 2023 - SESSION TIMINGS
MELB, SYD & CANBERRA TIME**

16TH FEB, THURSDAY
17TH FEB, FRIDAY
18TH FEB, SATURDAY
23RD FEB, THURSDAY
24TH FEB, FRIDAY
25TH FEB, SATURDAY

Zoom

Everyday (AEDT)
6.45pm to 10.15pm

**LAST DATE OF REGISTRATION
10TH FEB 2023**

syromalabar.org.au/services/marriage-preparation-course

Registration will be complete only after we receive the proof of payment and a digital passport size photo

Email to: office.familyapostolate@syromalabar.org.au

**FOR ENQUIRIES:
PLEASE CONTACT COORDINATOR
SANTHOSH JOSE
0423 450 768**

SYRO - MALABAR EPARCHY OF ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE, MELBOURNE
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY APOSTOLATE

Msgr Francis Kolencherry inaugurated the course and Bishop Bosco gave a blessing speech on the final day

**REGISTRATION IS
OPEN FOR THE NEXT
ONLINE MPC (VIA ZOOM)
IN FEBRUARY 2023
(16th, 17th, 18th, 23th, 24th, 25th).**

For any course enquiries, please contact:
Santhosh Jose, Mob: 0423 450 768
Email: office@familyapostolate.syromalabar.org.au



DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH APOSTOLATE



Our Syro-Malabar National Youth Conference, UNITE 2022 kicked off with a bang on Friday 2nd of December at Phillip Island Adventure Resort with nearly 600 participants from Australia, New Zealand, and Singapore. Unite 2022 was filled with inspiring plenary sessions, engaging workshops, and an immense experience of the Syro Malabar Holy Qurbana and Eucharistic Adoration. Unite this year also featured electrifying concert featuring our very own band Songs of Seraphim, and talented catholic musicians from the US: Treasa Roy and Prodigy!





SMYM NEW ZEALAND 2022 AT A GLANCE

GODS LITTLE PENCIL 22

Our God's Little Pencil (An Initiative of SMYM Australia & New Zealand) - Gospel Reflections for the year 2022)

GLP is one-of-a-kind publication from the Youth Apostolate of the Syro-Malabar Eparchy of St. Thomas the Apostle, Melbourne. A blessed work of 125 young people of our Eparchy will enable the reader to reflect upon the Word of God daily. 20 youths from New Zealand participated in GLP.

SAPRA 22

A new initiative of SMYM NZ started from March 22. Currently we have Sapra on every Sunday at 8 am via Zoom.

SMYM NZ TEENS ONLINE MEET-22

SMYM NZ TEENS ONLINE MEET-22 -Conducted on 19 Feb2022.50 participants from all over New Zealand. Soji Bijo from UK led the session.

AN ONLINE SESSION ABOUT SYRO -MALABAR TRADITIONS- 2022

An Online session about Syro- Malabar traditions conducted on 25 April2022. Sr. Litty from India led the class.

ARISE 22

Two youth leaders Jacob Anithottam and Deepak Martin attended and represented NZ in Youth Leaders' Summit Conducted at Rome from 17 June22 to 23 June22.



ABLAZE 22

The National youth conference Ablaze 22 is conducted on 13 July to 16 July at Auckland. Bishop Bosco Puthur, Sojin Sebastian, Franklin & Sheryl led the camp. We have 59 participants from 12 Missions/ Parishes of New Zealand.



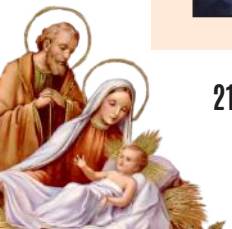
TALENT HUNT-22

SMYM NZ organized a Talent Hunt to find out Talented youth in various categories as described below.
a) Arts | b) Media | c) Music | d) Theatre.



PROCLAIM-22

SMYM NZ organized outreach programmes in various Mission From 7th October to 23rd October 22. Youth Apostolate director Mr. Sojin Sebastian will lead the One Day Programmes.





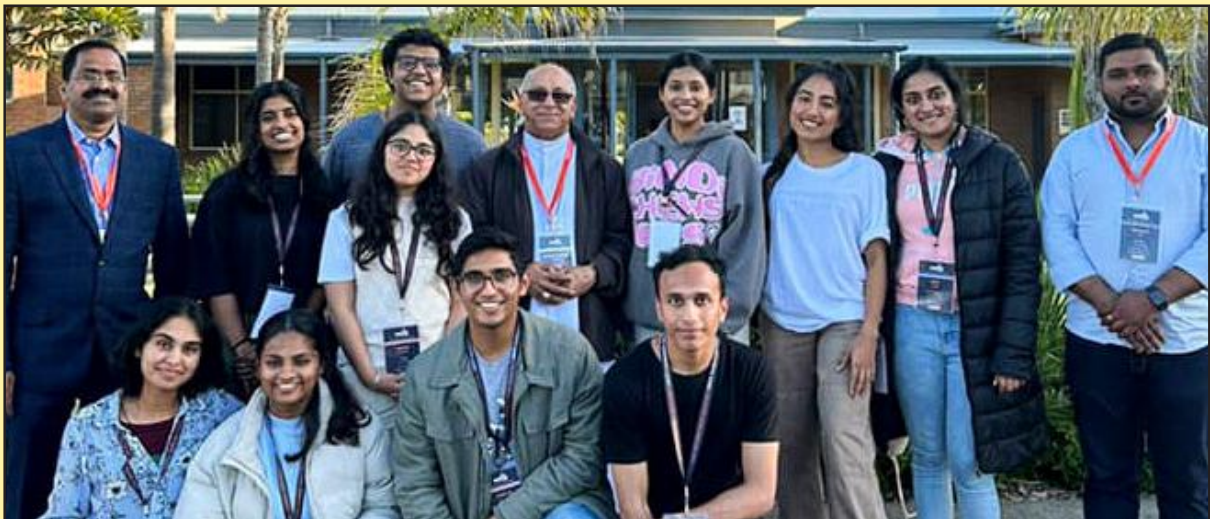
BLOOD DONATION-22

SMYM units organized blood donation at various centres in association with NZ Blood Bank.

UNITE 22

12 participants from New Zealand attended the

Unite 22 conference held at Philip Island organized by SMYM Australia.



ROSARY CAMPAIGN-22

SMYM NZ conducted Rosary Campaign in the month of October and 102 participants registered to pray rosary for the intentions of SMYM NZ in the month of October. Rosary Campaign is led by SMYM NZ intercession ministry.

CHAIN BIBLE READING-22

SMYM Young Families Ministry Organized a chain Bible reading from 23rd Nov 22 to 27th Nov 22.

48 participants from all over New Zealand joined in this Chain Bible reading via Zoom. Final day Br. Thomas Paul gave a message about importance of Word of God in our daily life.

We would like to express my sincere thanks on behalf of SMYM NZ to Bishop Mar Bosco Puthur, Fr George Areekkal, all other chaplains, Sojin Sebastian, SMYM NZ LEADERS and all well-wishers of SMYM NZ

for their support and guidance to SMYM NZ.

Reports Prepared by
Manoj Thomas (SMYM NZ Animator)



WORLD YOUTH DAY EVENT

Lisbon, Portugal, is preparing for the biggest gathering worldwide (World Youth Day). SMYM of the Syro-Malabar Combined Mission (The Syro-Malabar eparchies of Chicago, Great Britain, Melbourne, Mississauga and the Apostolic Visitation of Europe) is organising Syro Festival along with World Youth Day. We aim for 100 young people (Age category 18+ only) from Australia and New Zealand to participate in WYD.

We are in the process of finalising our pilgrims.

Please fill out the EOI form asap to secure your participation and complete the registration process.

<https://forms.office.com/r/MJvFqhzxkn>

We have got three packages for the pilgrims from our Eparchy:

A. SYRO FESTIVAL + WYD (JULY 26 - AUGUST 7)

Approx. cost \$5,000AUD

The pilgrims travel from Australia on 24th or 25th of July based on the ticket availability.

The price includes food, accommodation, welcome kit and world youth day registration. The fee covers the food and accommodation from Wednesday, July 26th dinner to Sunday, August 7th breakfast. The accommodation will be simple accommodation during these days. The indicative price excludes insurance, visa and any other costs.

B. SYRO FESTIVAL + WYD + PILGRIMAGE (JULY 26 - AUGUST 13)

Approx. cost \$7,000AUD

The pilgrims travel from Australia on 24th or 25th of July based on the ticket availability.

The price includes food, accommodation, welcome kit and world youth day registration. The fee covers the food and accommodation from Wednesday, July 26th dinner to Sunday, August 7th breakfast. The accommodation will be simple accommodation during Syro Festival & World Youth Day. During pilgrimage (1 night at Fatima, 2 nights at Lourdes and 3 nights at Paris) the accommodation will be in hotels and Breakfast & Dinner is included in the package. The indicative price excludes insurance, visa and any other costs.

YOUTH APOSTOLATE
SYRO-MALABAR EPARCHY OF ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE MELBOURNE

Arise 2023 4 Days in the Diocese
World Youth Day
24 JULY - 7 AUGUST, 2023

WANT TO KNOW MORE?
CONTACT
JOANE SEBASTIAN - 0405 632 322
SHERIL JOSE SAO - 0435 387 409

INTERESTED?
FILL OUT
THIS FORM.

C. PILGRIMAGE FOR PARENTS

Approx. cost \$8,500AUD.

More details will be shared in the coming week.

PAYMENT PLAN

The Youth Apostolate will seek an advance payment of AUD 1000 by 31st of December, 2022 and rest of the package fee will be divided into 6 equal instalments based on the package you choose (Package A & Package B).

Please contact

Sheril Jose Sao (M: 0435 387 409, E: asstcoordinator.smy.m.ya@syromalabar.org.au) or
Avin James (M: 0469 406 100, E: projects.smy.m.ya@syromalabar.org.au) to confirm your registration.

CHILD SAFEGUARDING DEPARTMENT

NCSS Edition 2- Safety of Adults

The Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd (ACSL) has launched the second edition of National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS) recently. The main highlight of the revised standard is that it has now embraced safety of adults as well along with the safety of children.

The release of NCSS Ed. 2 comes just one week before the five-year anniversary of the Royal Commission into Institutional Response to Child Sexual Abuse's final report. According to ACSL Board Chair the Hon. Michael Lavarch AO, the adoption of the new Standards clearly demonstrates that the Church is vigilant of emerging safeguarding risks for every-

one in Catholic communities, especially children and adults at risk.

The NCSS Edition 2 was developed by the ACSL in consultation with Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC), Catholic Religious Australia (CRA) and the Association of Ministerial Public Juridic Persons (AMPJP)

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INTRODUCING OUR TEAM
PSOS OF ST. MARY'S

KNANAYACATHOLIC PARISH, MELBOURNE



Mr. LANCEMON
SIMON



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PATHUPARAYIL

Visiting Clergy Guidelines

The Eparchy also has recently developed a more formal guidelines for the overseas clergy/religious people visiting Australia. These new guidelines incorporate the revised National Catholic Safeguarding Standards (NCSS Edition 2) and relevant Australian legislations. Any overseas clergy/religious should be well informed about the NCSS and are required to strictly follow these guidelines as stipulated. For any additional information in this matter, kindly contact the National Safeguarding Office or your Parish Priest. ●



NURSES MINISTRY Australia



RECENT ACTIVITIES OF AUSTRALIA NURSES MINISTRY

Nurses Ministry in Australia is gradually expanding into various parishes. International resource team visited Australia and spend 70 days in different states providing formation programs to existing units and establishing new units in different parts of Australia.

NSW had regional gathering on 17 September, 2022 which was inaugurated by Most. Rev. Bishop Bosco Puthur and all regional unit chaplains and Nurses ministry spiritual director was present.

By Gods grace we have established 3 units in NSW, 1 unit in QLD and 3

in VIC, 1 in TAS and 1 in Darwin in addition to our existing units. We have currently 32 units in Australia which conducts regular prayer meetings, formation programs and gatherings. We have 24 hour chain Holy Rosary on 13th of every month in addition to monthly night vigil on every last Friday of the month.



EVANGELIZATION REPORT DEC 2022 MINISTRY

“The joy of salvation that we experience through knowing Jesus the son of God is a special gift for each of us and it has to be shared. (Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, 2013). The Evangelisation ministry of our Eparchy is endeavouring to share this joy of the gospel through its various initiatives. In the words of St. John Paul II, we cannot be content when we consider the millions of our brothers and sisters, who like us have been redeemed by the blood of Christ but who live in ignorance of the love of God” (John Paul II, Redemptoris Missio, 1986). In VIC, 1 in TAS and 1 in Darwin in addition to our existing units. We have currently 32 units in Australia which conducts regular prayer meetings, formation programs and gatherings. We have 24 hour chain Holy Rosary on 13th of every month in addition to monthly night vigil on every last Friday of the month.



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EPHPHATHA
BIBLE CONVENTION 2022

VENUE:
OUR LADY GUARDIAN OF PLANTS,
CHALDEAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

ADDRESS:
92-99 SOMERSET ROAD,
CAMPBELLFIELD, VIC 3061

LED BY
REV FR. DANIEL
POOVANNATHIL
AND TEAM

FOR MORE DETAILS
SEBASTIAN THATHIL 0413716244
SIBY JOSEPH 0491920113
JASON JOSEPH 0417749836
JUMON KIDHMEEL 0492652646

SYRO - MALABAR EPARCHY
of St Thomas the Apostle, Melbourne

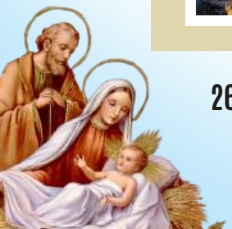
EPHAPHA BIBLE CONVENTION 2022

It was our first large scale convention after the Covid pandemic which attracted huge number of people not only from the Melbourne but from regional Victoria and other parts of Australia. The convention was led by renowned gospel preacher Rev Fr Daniel Poovannathil. The convention was organised at Our Lady Guardian of Plants, Chaldean Catholic Church in Campbellfield, Melbourne which was attended by about 1200 people on all three days. Fr Daniel highlighted the importance of growing in personal relationship with Christ our Lord by personally spending time in prayer. Participants commented that the convention helped rekindle the fire of God’s love in them to be witnesses of the gospel in their families, parishes and workplaces. Bishop Mar Bosco Puthur celebrated Holy Qurbana on the concluding day. The organising team under the leadership of Fr Varghese Vithayathil, director of the Evangelisation ministry along with the parish priests of the five Melbourne parishes, its trustees, volunteers, and evangelisation ministry coordinators worked hard for months to make the convention a fruitful and blessed occasion for everyone.

INNER HEALING RETREAT 17-19 SEP 2022



The Evangelization ministry of the Eparchy organised an inner healing retreat in the month of Sep 2022. This was a blessed occasion for all participants to reflect on God’s unconditional love for each of us and receive the fullness of life that Jesus is offering through inner healing. Bishop Mar Bosco Puthur celebrated Holy Qurbana on the concluding day.





MISSION QUEST 2022 - Know the Mission & Be a Missionary

As the Catholic Church observed Mission Sunday on October 23, The evangelisation ministry organised the online Quiz – Mission Quest with the theme of “Know the Mission and Be a Missionary” The Mission Quest, an online mission quiz prepared jointly by the department of catechesis and Syro Malabar Mission, with the aim of increasing missionary awareness. Syllabus and sample questions were made available to all faithful and in the Eparchy in New Zealand and Australia. The mission quest was conducted in two categories, for catechism students under 18 and for the adults separately. The following are the winners from our Eparchy.

Winners - Catechism Students

- Joslin Jo, St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Mission, Shepparton.
- Jyotis Jo, St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Mission, Shepparton.
- Janis Jo, St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Mission, Shepparton.

Winners - Adults

- Maja Tom Kottayil, Christ The King Parish, Villawood, Sydney.
- Magin Jijo, St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Mission, Shepparton.
- Ancy Georgi, St. Alphonsa Parish, Canberra.

Each category winners are offered cash prizes for winning the competition.

EPHPHATHA - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, PRAYER & SHARING

The Evangelization ministry of the Eparchy organises Eucharistic Adoration, Prayer and Sharing on every second Friday via zoom which is led by the priests of our Eparchy. It is truly a graceful hour from 9 to 10 pm (Melbourne time) for faithful to join with their families and to blessed joining the Eucharistic Adoration, Prayer and Sharing in the comfort of their homes. The one-hour session in December was led by Rev Fr Prince Thaipurayidathil. Parish priest of St Mary's Knanaya Parish Melbourne.

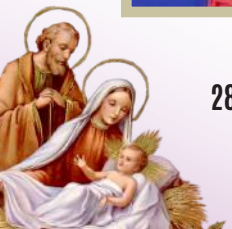
CATHOLIC CONGRESS GLOBAL MEET 2022 - BANGKOK

The 2nd Global Meet for Catholic Congress was held at Bangkok from the 21st to the 24th of October 2022. With the blessing of our Bishop Bosco Puthur and our Director Fr. Joseph Kunnakattu eight delegates from our Eparchy attended the conference. The slogan of the conference was “Towards Oneness, Towards Greatness,” with a mission to strengthen the internal bonding between Catholic Congress members across the world. There were 140 delegates from 42 countries who attended the conference. The theme of the conference was “Unity to Glory”. The conference became a global platform ensuring the cooperation and unity of Syro Malabar laity people from different parts of the world. The meet commenced with a Flag Hoisting ceremony by Global President Advocate Biju Parayanilam, followed by a prayer conducted by Fr. Geo Kadavi, Global Director. There was a video pre-

sentation showing 104 years history of Catholic Congress, displaying the role Catholic Congress played in achieving and protecting Syro Malabar Catholics rights in the economic, social and political sphere.

Panel discussions, debates, project presentations and seminars on various subject matters affecting the Syro Malabar community were conducted during the meeting. The main discussions concerned Catholic Congress women’s council, the youth council and committed efforts to protect community interests and farmers rights in view of the current realities and challenges of the global socio-political, cultural and economic context. Further emphasis was given to the responsibility of passing on the faith and moral values that our ancestors gave to us to the next generation.

The meet concluded with a Holy Mass lead by Syro-Malabar Church Major Archbishop Cardinal



Mar George Alenchery and with the global Nazarene General Meeting. Catholic Congress Global President Adv. Biju Parayannilam presided the meeting. The Cardinal said that the Catholic Congress Global Meet is carrying out a historic mission and will create new dimensions for lay participation in the Church. In the church, all are equal and ministers of Christ. We need to fully embrace the love of Christ and move forward together, which requires community members from all over the world to unite under one roof. The notion of synodality proposed by the Pope will be implemented more effectively in the Syro-Malabar Church and strong lay participation at various levels of the Church will be ensured. He reminded that Catholic Congress has the responsibility to bring together and lead the various laity organizations of the Church. The Global Leader Adv. Biju was honored for his meticulous service in Catholic Congress for the last 25 Years. Johnykutty Thomas from Australia also was honored for his committed service in the Global committee. The meet was blessed with the participation and talks by various Bishops and professionals which include

Archbishops Mar Joseph Peruthottam, Mar Mathew Moolakat, Bishop Laget Mar Remigius Inchanani, Bishops Mar Raphael Thattil, Mar Sebastian Vadakkal, Mar Jose Chituparampil, Fr George Plathottam, Rtd. Supreme Court Judge Kurian Joseph, Catholic Congress global General Secretary Rajeev Kochuparampil, Director Fr Gio Kadavi, General Convener Joseph Parekattil, Convener Ranjit Joseph, KCF President Dr.K.M. Francis, Treasurer Dr Jobi Kakassery and Vice President Tessy, Jose K. Mani MP, Mons Joseph MLA, Dean Kuriakos MP, Thomas Chazhikadan MP, George Kurian, Adv. Jojo Jose, Fr Benny Mundatt, Fr. In Philip the Poet, Fr. Sabin Thumulil, Benny Mathew, Adv. PT. Chacko, Jomi Mathew, etc. The next Global meet will be in United States of America in 2025 and the Flag has been handed over to Cigil Palakalody from USA.

We are planning to organise regional meetings all throughout our Eparchy soon. We are hoping to conduct a two-day Eparchial Catholic Congress meeting next year. We are also in the process of forming Catholic Congress units and missions where it has not yet been formed in our Eparchy.



PRIEST'S RETREAT 2022





Parish / Mission Updates



St Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Parish Adelaide Central

FAREWELL- Fr. LEONSE MOOSARIPARAMBIL

On behalf of the parish, we would like to extend our deepest gratitude and express well wishes for Fr. Leones for his future ministries.

WELCOME TO Fr. SIBYPULICKAL

Towards the end of November, the parish had the greatest joy in

welcoming Fr. Siby Pulickal as the newest parish priest appointed for the community. Through brief interactions with him, the parish was instantly enamoured by his fervour and zeal for God and the community and is eagerly anticipating the new stages of growth that lies ahead.

PARISH DAY & MEGA MARGAM KALI

After several years, the St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Parish had the greatest pleasure of once again having the opportunity to host Parish Day. All the family units put in a lot of effort and passion into the event's preparation and practise, and the results of their labour were clearly visible on stage in the shape of energetic dances, songs, skits, and biblical drama. The entire event was a huge success, giving the community another chance to unite and celebrate one another as well as the distinctive colours and gifts that each person brings to the table.

The highlight of the night, however, was the Mega Margam Kali performed by 59 People. After weeks of tireless practice and co-ordination, this amazing group of women came together to not only pay homage to an iconic dance form of our culture, but also allowed all the viewers to take pride in our heritage and traditions.

UNITE 2022

On the 1st of December, 50 youth from Adelaide Central, South and North travelled together to Phillip Island, Melbourne on a bus to attend and participate in the Unite National Conference, 2022. Over the course of four days, the youth had several opportunities to experience and encounter Christ as well as learn and grow from a wide range of esteemed speakers and guests and from one another. The youth of the parish also performed a dance skit where they had a passionate discussion about being the brides of Christ and the significance and importance of being Catholics. ●



ST ALPHONSA SYRO-MALABAR CATHEDRAL PARISH MELBOURNE NORTH

St Alphonsa Cathedral Parish continues to work towards the completion of our Cathedral Parish, and all our families, youth and children are actively partaking in our weekly services and activities.

Church and Catechism activities:

FAITH FEST 2022: One of the biggest highlights of the catechetical year took place on the 8th and 9th



of October. Catechism students from all years, from Grade 1 to Grade 12 participated in several activities to gain a deeper understanding of our Syro-Malabar church, the Bible, and prayer. Students were able to engage with others of similar age and develop a sense of unity as they partook in the activities organized by the catechism teachers and youth for each of the streams.

MARIAN PILGRIMAGE: Our parish joined with other parishes in Melbourne under the guidance of Bishop Bosco for a Marian Pilgrimage to Our Lady Ta'



Pinu Shrine on 29th October 2022. The journey helped conclude the Konthamasam, by reciting the rosary as a community and re-establishing our strong conviction in the intercessory power of Mother Mary.

EPHPHATHA BIBLE CONVENTION: This event was organized by the Evangelisation Ministry of our Eparchy and allowed all parishes to join together and hear and reflect on the Word of God. It was a great experience that was delivered to us by Rev. Fr Daniel Poovannathil and the team. The retreat lasted for three days, starting from Friday 18th November to Sunday 20th November.

PARISH HALL INAUGURATION:

Our SMCC Parish Hall had its Grand Opening ceremony on November 12th, 2022. Bishop Bosco blessed the premises and several honourable guests were in attendance. This hall is a small beginning for our Church to continue pushing our traditions and cultures into the future.

CATECHISM FINAL EXAMINATIONS: All students engaged in their second-semester catechism examinations on Sunday, 13th November and catechism classes officially concluded for the year on 29th November 2022.

SMYM: SMYM Regal Ball: SMYM organized a Regal Ball, which took place on 16th October at the Heritage. The event was well-organized and allowed the youth to gather for an exciting night of music and dance.

UNITE 2022: Several participants from our parish have travelled to Philip Island Adventure resort for four days, to engage with our youth from across Australia and the globe and create a communal experience of encountering Christ.

MATHRUVEDI

Spring Outing: Members of our Mathruvedi joined together to take a one-day spring trip to the Dandenong Ranges on 22nd October 2022.

Christmas Charity Gift Box: Mathruvedi has organized a collection of non-perishable items to be





given as donations to charities for Christmas in Australia.

NURSES MINISTRY: The Nurses Ministry has officially been inaugurated. They are working together to engage in activities that will continue uplifting our Church and its charitable works.

CATHOLIC CONGRESS: Our Catholic Congress organized its first-ever event, a Family Gathering, on 1st November 2022. The event was very enjoyable with food, entertainment, and a special Q & A session with Rojin Thomas (a film director and scriptwriter).

By the grace of God, the work on our Cathedral Parish continues to progress. We would like to ask you all to pray for the Cathedral's completion during this critical time of development.

ST. ALPHONSA SYRO-MALABAR PARISH BRISBANE



Holyween was celebrated on November the 6th. Students were dressed up as saints and the best dressed up students were awarded.



Sunday School Anniversary was conducted on 20th November at St. Joseph's School Bracken Ridge. Started with Holy Mass followed by Annual day celebrations and Snehavirunnu.



Advent Retreat was led by Fr. Kurian Karickal MSFS on 25, 26 and 27 November. It was filled with lot of grace and blessings.



ST. ALPHONSA SYRO-MALABAR PARISH - PARRAMATTA

PARISH FEAST

The parish celebrated Idavakathirunal from 2022 September 30th until October 9th. During the celebrations, the parish specially commemorated the life witnessing of the patron saint St. Alphonsa with 9 days novena and Holy Mass. On the main feast days October 7th, 8th & 9th there were special liturgical celebrations like Prasudenthivazhcha of 63 prasudentis, Ladinju, procession and most solemn Holy Qurbana seeking the intercession of St. Michael, St. Sebastian, St. Thomas, Mother Mary, patron saint Alphonsa.

SMYM unit worked hard to resuscitate childhood memories of perunnals with stalls, dances, and games running after each day holy Qurbana.

PARISH SPORTS DAY:

St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar parish Parramatta has organised a parish feast day for the first time in its history on 15th October 2022 at CSI Sports and recreation club at Schofields as part of the parish's community building and social gathering vision.

The well functionated and efficient organising committee scheduled and conducted the events in a very professional manner. The event was a great success. Trophies were awarded to the successful teams More than 250 of the parishioners participated in various events.

Activities of the day included

1. Inter ward friendly soccer Match

2. Men's Inter ward friendly tug of war
3. Women's inter ward friendly tug of war
4. Women's inter ward penalty shoot outs

An onsite home-made food stall organised by Mathrujyothi was available on site.

EUCCHARISTA -

Whole Sunday School Holy Qurbana

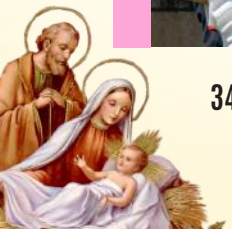
Whole Sunday School Holy Qurbana and Word of God sharing by rev. Fr. Regi Lavilla was conducted on 23rd October. Catechism students from KG to year 12 participated in the Holy Qurbana.

SYRO-MALABAR SYDNEY REGIONAL PILGRIMAGE:

The parish participated in the Marian pilgrimage to Our Lady of Mercy @ Penrose pilgrim centre on 29th October along with other Sydney parishes Villawood, Hornsby, Penrith, Wollongong, Gosford, Wyong, Campbelltown, Wyoming & New castle.

MISSION SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS

The parish celebrated mission Sunday on 30th October 2022. Year 10 catechism students and their parents conducted mission Sunday fundraising lalem. ●





PARISH RETREAT: VACHANA PRAGHOSHANAM

Parish had the great opportunity to hear the Word of God from Rev. Fr. Jason La Salette (Provincial Superior, La Salette congregation) on 11th & 18th November 2022. The retreat concluded with healing adoration.

CATECHISM THANKSGIVING HOLY QURBANAM

Thanks giving Holy Qurbana for the catechism academic year was conducted on 20th November 2022.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FEAST OF MOTHER MARY

The parish celebrated the immaculate conception of Mother Mary on 8th December 2022

CHRISTMAS CAROLS

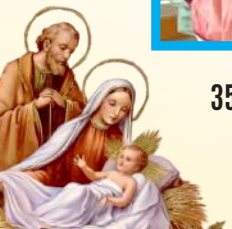
Family units of the parish are conducting ward wise Christmas Carols. All the ward members are encouraged to participate in the carols.

ST. THOMAS SYRO-MALABAR MISSION BENDIGO

We celebrated the Feast of St. Mary and St. Thomas, the Apostle. Celebrations started with 10 days of rosary at different houses of Family Units. On the last day we celebrated the feast at St Joseph Quarry Hill church, starting by “kodiyettu” by our parish priest Rev. Fr. Varghese Vithayathil MST. Then there were offerings from the parish members and also “Kazhunneduppu”. Then we celebrated the Solemn Holy Thirunal Qurbana. Our Main celebrant was Rev. Fr Tijo Puthenparampil. Fr. Tijo delivered



an enlightening speech about family life, with respect to the lives of St. Mary and St. Thomas, the Apostle. Holy Qurbana was followed by procession which was accompanied by traditional Kerala “chendamalam” by Chembada team, Bendigo. The Feast Day Celebration was concluded by a sumptuous meal for everyone who attended the feast. The Feast day Celebration was a great blessing for our Mission and helped our community building.



ST. ALPHONSA SYRO-MALABAR MISSION, SHEPPARTON

St. Alphonsa Church had special Rosary devotion for 10 days conducted in each family unit of the Mission and concluded on 31st Oct as a great celebration. The day was blessed with Holy Mass, Rosary procession and Adoration.

THIRUNAL CELEBRATION

St. Alphonsa Mission, Shepparton celebrated St. Alphonsa' Thirunal on 5th and 6th of November. Kodi-yettam on November 5th, was done by Rev. Fr. Jackson, Associate Priest of St. Brendan's Church, Shepparton. The main celebrant of Thirunal Holy Qurbana was



Very Rev. Msgr Francis Kolencherry, Vicar General of Syro Malabar Eparchy of St. Thomas, the Apostle, Melbourne, with Co-celebrants Very Rev. Msgr Peter Jeffrey, and Rev. Frs Varghese Vithayathil MST, Sibi pulikkal, Vijay Baskar, Jophin Joyand Tijo Puthenparampil. Rev. Tijo gave thirunal message in the homily. Procession around the church carrying saint's statues, accompanied by Chendamelam, followed by Snehavirunnu was memorable event for the parish members.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNUAL DAY

On 10th December, St. Alphonsa Mission Catechism School, Shepparton celebrated Annual Day. It was the celebration for whole Mission- for Catechism Students, Teachers and Parents. Report reading, Price distribution, honoring of Catechism Teacher and variety of entertainment program based on faith and



tradition were included on the Annual Day Program, it was concluded with serving of meal.

VOICE FROM HEAVEN

We organised a very important program for our children on this Sunday 11 Dec. We got a wonderful resource person - Rev Fr Binoj Mulavarickal the famous retreat preacher, music composer and the director of the Youth Apostolate in Europe. He talked to our children and led adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

MATHRUVEDI CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

On Sunday 11th Sunday, Mathruvedi conducted Christmas Celebration. Rev. Fr. Binoj Mulavarickal was the main celebrant in Holy Qurbana. Carol singing by Mathruvedi members and Dance involving all age group did add more color to the celebration. Mathru-



vedi's Raffle ticket results were announced and Christmas gifts were given. The program concluded with light refreshments.

UNITE YOUTH PROGRAM

On December 2nd, 10 children from St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Mission, Shepparton participated in the Unite Youth Program conducted by SMYM.



AVE MARIA SYRO-MALABAR MISSION IPSWICH



A new SMYM team was formed in September. Congratulations to the new SMYM Champions (find the attached poster) Marissa Geo and Kevin Sajeev are the SMYM Coordinators, Rose Maria Sebastian is the Secretary, Geol George is the Treasurer, Anjana Kurian is the Intercession Coordinator, and Jeffrey George is the Media Coordinator.

In the month of October, we celebrated Holyween to commemorate our saints. Our children dressed up as saints and took part in the Rosary procession. We also

had special adoration for the children who were preparing for their upcoming exams.

The new SMYM Team is very active. They organized a raffle for our Parish Day and managed to raise \$1,350. Also, they introduced Bottle collection and Christmas cake sales to generate more funds. Five SMYM members attended the Unite Conference in Melbourne. We are extremely proud of their accomplishments and the contributions they make to the Church.

On 2nd October, we Celebrated

Parish Day & Catechism Anniversary with a Holy mass, followed by a series of cultural performances from the Catechism children, and members from the family units. The celebrations concluded with communal feasts.

In the month of December, we celebrated Bible week by organizing a Bible Procession.

We are eagerly anticipating the Christmas festivities. This year we are hosting a Christmas Crib competition, carol singing and Carols by the family units.



St. Euphrasia Syro-Malabar Parish Adelaide North

PARISH FEAST

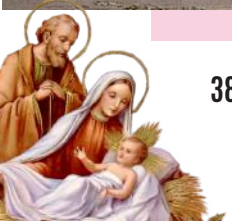
With joy and excitement leading to Christmas, the church community joined hands on the 30th of October 2022, celebrating the feasts of our patroness Saint, St. Euphrasia, Our Lady of Rosary, and St. Sebastian, which started with a nine-day Navanaal, starting from 21st October 2021. Making the day more auspicious, we were blessed with the presence and prayers of all the priests joining us, and we lovingly thank them and Ajith Achan for their loving support, guidance, and prayers. On the day of the feast, blessed with the presence of Msgr Francis Kolenchery, Vicar General of Syro-Malabar Eparchy of St. Thomas the Apostle, Melbourne, and Very Rev. Fr. Dean Marin, Vicar General, Archdiocese of Adelaide, the celebrations started Holy Rosary, followed by Solemn Holy Mass, Ladinju, Pradakshinam, Lelam, Flash Mob, Nadakam, and Snehavirunnu.



QADOSH 2022



Bringing people from all walks of life in Adelaide under one roof, we organised Qadosh 2022, with lots of fun, entertainment, and a splendid feast. On the 12th of Nov, around 600 people, a big community, joined us in a cultural fiesta by the youth music band 'Songs of Seraphim' for the wonderful music and spiritual enchantment. Songs of Seraphim is the official band of our Eparchy, spreading the love and voice of God through their heavenly singing. There were dance performances by the families of our parish under the leadership of professional dancer Gadha Sanil, also a member of our parish. Everyone enjoyed the day with all the entertainment, along with a three-course dinner, raffle, gifts and lots more. It was a day of great fun and enjoyment, showing the love, support, and unity of our parish community under the guidance and leadership of Fr. Ajith Cheriakkara, their effort and hard work, made it a grand success. Thank you to all the wonderful people who joined this celebration of love and harmony.



St. Alphonsa

Syro-Malabar Parish, Canberra

These last few months have been filled with many faith-forming and community building events for the St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Parish, Canberra.

FEAST DAY OF ST ALPHONSA

The feast day of our parish patron, St Alphonsa was held on the 1st and 2nd (Saturday and Sunday) of October. The celebrations began with the Flag Hoisting ceremony led by the parish Vicar, Fr. Abraham Nadukunnel. The ceremony was followed by the celebration of the Holy Qurbana led by our vicar alongside Fr Abhilash Kannampadam and Fr. Baiju Thomas. The first day concluded with dinner for all in attendance. The main feast day celebrations took place on the 2nd of October. On this day, prior to the solemn celebration of the Holy Qurbana, parishioners were able to partake in the "Roopam Ezhunnellikkal, Kazhunu, and Adima Nercha". The Holy Qurbana was led by Fr Biju Matthew Koikattil (Parish Priest, St. Leonard's Church, Naremburn, Sydney), accompanied by Fr. Abraham Nadukunnel, Fr. Abhilash Kannampadam, Fr. Praveen Aranjanilickal and Fr. Paul Nulley. The Qurbana was followed by a holy procession upholding Syro-Malabar traditions, accompanied by a 'chendamalam'. The day then ended with dinner. Approximately one thousand people participated in the main feast day celebrations. These celebrations were organised and led by the parish Vicar, Fr Abraham Nadukunnel, Kaikkarans; Jomy Pulavelil, Thomas Antony and Bibin Joseph as well as the Presudhentic Convener Sunil Thomas. This year's feast day celebrations were sponsored by 35 'Presudhentic's'.

HOLY MONTH OF THE ROSARY

During the month of October, the Holy Rosary was celebrated on three levels, family, ward, and parish. From the first to the tenth of October each family was encouraged to pray the rosary in their homes. From the eleventh of October to the twentieth, each ward unit held rosary prayers at different homes, from the twenty-first to the thirtieth the Holy Rosary was celebrated at a Parish Level at St. Joseph's Church O'Connor. On the final day of the Holy Month of the Rosary, there was a solemn celebration of the Holy Qurbana, followed by Eucharistic Adoration and Rosary prayers.

LOGOS QUIZ WINNERS

Within the 41-50 age group, two of our parishioners Prabha Dijo and Ancy Georgi earned first and second place respectively (100% and 99%) in the LOGOS Bible Quiz organised by the Melbourne St Thomas Syro-Malabar Eparchy Catechesis Department. Both winners were congratulated and awarded by the parish.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



This year's First Holy Communion Celebrations took place on the 19th of November (Saturday) at St Joseph's Church, O'Connor. These celebrations were led by our Bishop Mar Bosco Puthur, accompanied by our Vicar Fr Abraham Nadukunnel as well as Fr. Praveen Aranjanilickal and Fr Baiju Thomas. This year seven children received this sacrament.





CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION AND CULTURAL NIGHT

For the first time in our parish's history, we were able to celebrate Christmas and Cultural Night simultaneously. This celebration took place on the 20th of November at Melrose High School, Pearce. The event was inaugurated by the Canberra-Goulbourn Diocese Archbishop Christopher Prowse and presided by Fr Abraham Nadukunnel. The Archbishop left us with an important message to preserve our Syro-Malabar Christian traditions and rites along with our mother tongue, Malayalam, continuing to use the language and pass it down to new generations. Program General Convener and Trustee Jomy Pulavelil and Program Committee Convener Martin Joseph addressed the community. In attendance also were Parish Trustees and Conveners Bibin Joseph and Thomas Antony, Facility Committee Convener Jibin Thekkanath and Parish Council Representative Rosamma George. Many won-

derful programmes were organised and performed by all eleven wards as well as parish organisations resulting in a very enjoyable 4-hour long event. This successful day ended with a plentiful dinner. Over eight hundred and fifty people took part in these celebrations, leading it to be the most attended event in Canberra's Malayalee community's history.

UNITE 2022 PARTICIPATION

Unite Conference 2022 was held under the leadership of the Syro-Malabar Youth Movement Executives at the Philip Island Adventure Resort. Over forty of our youth attended this national event.

SYRO-MALABAR EPARCHY OF ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE ,
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SYRO MALABAR MISSION, GOLD COAST

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FAITH FEST

The 2022 Faith Fest occurred on 17th and 18th September 2022. This event is an occasion for children to love the Lord deeply. The Faith fest was a sparkling event to continue our children's faith formation. Children experienced our Catholic faith and understood the identity as a member of the Syro Malabar Church.



തിരുനാൾ

ഗോൾഡ് കോസ്റ്റ് മേരിമാതാ കാത്തോലിക് മിഷനിൽ ഇടവക മധ്യസ്ഥയായ പരിശുദ്ധ ദൈവമാതാവിന്റെ തിരുനാൾ Fr Anto Chiriyankandath, Fr Regimon Geevarghese and Fr Shinto Parackalന്റെയും കാർമികതത്തിൽ ഒക്ടോബർ 29 നും ഒക്ടോബർ 30 നും ഭക്തിനിർഭരമായി കൊണ്ടാടി.

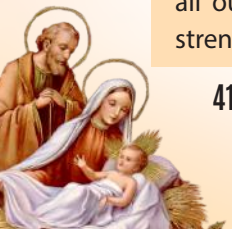
PARISH DAY & ANNUAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

We celebrated our Parish Day and Sunday School Annual Day Celebrations on Sunday 27th November 2022 under the guidance and instruction from our Vicar Fr. Anto Chiriyankandath and Catechism Principal Omana Sibin. This is done by loving our Lord with all our heart, soul, mind and strength.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The Immaculate Conception takes us to the faith that Mary, the mother of Christ, was conceived without sin and we hence refer to her as "full of grace". Our Parish celebrated Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary by a special Holy Mass, Novena and Nercha. The celebrant for this blessed ceremony was our vicar Fr. Anto Chiriyankandath.



St Mary's Syro-Malabar Mission, New Castle

പരിശുദ്ധ ജപമാല രാജ്ഞിയുടെ തിരുനാൾ

മമ്മുടെ ഇടവക ഒരു ദശാബ്ദ കാലം പിന്നിട്ടപ്പോൾ പരിശുദ്ധ കന്യാമറിയത്തിന്റെ മധ്യസ്ഥതയിൽ നമുക്ക് ലഭിച്ച ദൈവാനുഗ്രഹങ്ങൾക്കുള്ള കൃതജ്ഞത ബലിയും പരിശുദ്ധ ജപമാല രാജ്ഞിയുടെ തിരുനാളും ഒക്ടോബർ 29, 30 തീയതികളിൽ ഏൻഡേൽ ദേവാലത്തിൽ വച്ച് നടന്നു. ശനിയാഴ്ച ആറുമണിക്ക് പെരുന്നാൾ കൊടിയേറ്റിനു ശേഷം ഫാദർ ജോബി അന്തിക്കാടൻ വിശുദ്ധ കുർബാന അർപ്പിച്ചു പ്രാർത്ഥിച്ചു. അതിനുശേഷം വിഭവ സമൃദ്ധമായ ഫുഡ് ഫെസ്റ്റ് സംഘടിപ്പിച്ചു.



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സാബു അച്ചന്ത് യാത്രയയപ്പ് / ജോൺ അച്ചന്ത് സ്വാഗതം 6/11/2022

ഏഴര വർഷക്കാലം സെൻറ് മേരീസ് ന്യൂകാസിൽ മിഷനെ നയിച്ച തനിൽ നിക്ഷിപ്തമായിരുന്ന അജപാലന ദൗത്യം ഏറെ വിജയകരമായി പൂർത്തിയാക്കിയ സാബു അച്ചന്ത് ഇടവ സമൂഹം യാത്രയയപ്പ് നൽകി. ഇനി മുതൽ ഈ ഇടവകയെ നയിക്കുന്നത് വിവിധ മേഖലകളിൽ



പ്രാവീണ്യനായ ഫാദർ ജോൺ പുതുവയാണ് അച്ചന്റെ ശുശ്രൂഷകൾ തുടർന്നും ദൈവാനുഗ്രഹപ്രദമായി തുടരുവാൻ സാബു അച്ചന്ത് പ്രാർത്ഥിക്കുകയും ഇടവകജനത്തിന്റെ സന്നേഹംസകൾ കൈമാറുകയും ചെയ്തു. അന്നേദിവസം വിശുദ്ധ ചാൾസ് ബോറോ മിയേയുടെ ഓർമ്മദിനത്തോടനുബന്ധിച്ച് മത അധ്യാപകരുടെ ദിനമായി ആഘോഷിക്കുകയും അവരെ ആദരിക്കുകയും ചെയ്തു.

മിഷൻ ഞായർ 13/11



മിഷൻ ഞായറാഴ്ചത്തെ വിശുദ്ധ കുർബാനയ്ക്കു ശേഷം മതബോധന ക്ലാസിലെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾ സമാഹരിച്ച Non-perishable food items, Wallsend Vinnies ഭാരവാഹികൾക്ക് കൈമാറും ചെയ്തു.

Gloria 2022 വേദപാഠ പരീക്ഷ

ഡിസംബർ ഒന്നു മുതൽ 25 ദിവസത്തേക്ക് ക്രിസ്തുമസ് സമൂഹത്തിലേക്ക് എത്തിക്കുക എന്ന ഉദ്ദേശത്തോടെ മൂന്ന് മിനിറ്റ് ദൈർഘ്യമുള്ള മതബോധന ക്ലാസിലെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികളുടെ വീഡിയോ മെന്റേജസ് സെൻറ് മേരീസ് ന്യൂകാസിൽ ഫേസ്ബുക്കിൽ പോസ്റ്റ് ചെയ്തു വരുന്നു. ഒന്നു മുതൽ 12 വരെയുള്ള ക്ലാസുകളിലെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്കായി വർഷാന്ത്യ പരീക്ഷ ഡിസംബർ അഞ്ചിന് നടത്തി.

ആദ്യകുർബാന സ്വീകരണം



അത്യധികം ഭക്തിയോടെയും വിശുദ്ധയോടെയും ദിവ്യകാര്യണു ഈശോയെ സ്വീകരിക്കാനായി പ്രാർത്ഥിച്ചൊരുങ്ങിയ ഏതാനും കുഞ്ഞുങ്ങളുടെ ആദ്യകുർബാന സ്വീകരണം കഴിഞ്ഞ ഈ ഇടവകയിൽ നടന്നു ഡിസംബർ അഞ്ചിന് ആ കുഞ്ഞുങ്ങൾ കാഴ്ചസമർപ്പണം നടത്തുകയും അവർക്കായി ഇടവക സമൂഹം ഞണ്ടകം പ്രാർത്ഥിക്കുകയും അനുഭവിക്കുകയും ചെയ്തു.

ST. MARY'S MISSION, WAGGA WAGGA



INSTALLATION OF NEW FULL-TIME PRIEST

Our mission is blessed with a full-time priest Fr Siby Thanickal, who joined our mission on the 9th of October 2022. Fr Siby belongs to the Missionary Congregation of the Blessed Sacrament (MCBS). After his

priestly ordination in 2007, Fr Siby served indifferent dioceses in India and in the diocese of Townsville before coming to Wagga Wagga. We are very blessed to have Fr. Siby here, who encourage us with daily mass and weekly adoration in our church. Fr. Siby is planning a lot more activities including youth/teenage faith formation programs and retreats in our mission. This is a great opportunity for our Wagga Wagga mission, especially our children to grow in faith and in the intimacy with God. We are thankful to our Syro-malabar Eparchy for providing us with such a charismatic and dedicated priest like Fr. Siby to our mission.

Our parish day celebrations were on the 8th and 9th of October. We were blessed to have the Bishop of Wagga Wagga the most Rev. Mark Edwards OMI



for our celebration, with his enlightening message during the mass. In the whole month of October, we celebrated rosary in each of our family, and on the 31st of October we concluded the celebration with holy mass and procession of Rosary.



We celebrated Mission Sunday on the 23rd of October. Our Catechism students contributed their gifts for Mission in our church. We concluded the celebration with mission Sunday Auction.



Our mission organised Christmas Carol, which was led by Fr Siby, and all families participated with a lot of energy and enthusiasm



A farewell was organised for Fr. Francise Kolencherry, who has been serving as an interim-priest for our mission for the last one and a half years. Presence of Fr Francise was an immense blessing for our wagga community, especially for our spiritual growth and faith formation of our children. We all thank you Fr. Francise!



ST MARY'S SYRO MALABAR PARISH MELBOURNE WEST

St Mary's Parish Melbourne West parish recently conducted a Multicultural Fest, Western Jingles on 26th November 2022 at 68 Katherine Drive, Ravenhall which turned to be a great success. About 3000 people from different cultures and ethnicities attended this one-day event. This event proved to be an excellent platform for diverse communities to come together and share their rich culture.

Fr. Sebastian inaugurated the event. Bishop Bosco Puthur and Mr. Sushil Kumar, Consul General Indian Embassy, Melbourne were the chief guests at the public gathering.

Our aim was to bring together as many nationalities and cultures as possible and demonstrate the importance of each

culture, tradition, and art forms to the younger generation while offering an unforgettable experience to all. In addition to a wide variety of cultural programs from various communities, we had different types of rides and shows. There were stage performances as well as off-stage performances such as lion dance, ethnic wear parade, flash mob, tug-of-war etc.

Our parish has made a revenue of about \$1,28,000 from the event. This was predominantly from raffle ticket sales, sponsorship, food sale and VIC government grant.



ST MARY'S SYRO MALABAR PARISH ADELAIDE SOUTH

HOLY ROSARY

Each year the month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The liturgical feast of Our Lady of Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honour Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the Protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary.



We Celebrated 10 days of Rosary (Kontha Namaskaram) in Our Parish from Wednesday 12th October to Friday 21st October with Holy Mass followed by Adoration, Rosary, Procession and Nercha Distribution. Rosary led by Family Units, Catechism Teachers/ Students, Nurses Ministry, SMYM and Choir.

NOVEMBER 4th



Thanksgiving Mass and Award Presentation by Catechism Department.

ST. MARY'S LITTLE HANDS TO VINNIES (MISSION SUNDAY)



From 2013 as a part of Mission Sunday, Catechism school collecting nonperishable food items from Catechism Students and donating to St. Vincent De Paul's society of South Australia. They will use this for Christmas hampers to support our needy brethren in our community. Congratulations and Big Thank you to our Sunday School Students, Teachers, and Families for make it happen.

FAREWELL TO FR. LEONSE KURIAN

We treasure the spiritual care, guidance, love and support you have shared with us over the past years. we wish you all the best and pray for God's blessings in your future ministries.

WELCOME

Hearty welcome to our New Vicar Rev. Dr. Siby Pulickal, we are so happy to support you in this new journey and we assure our prayers.



UPCOMING EVENT

Christmas Holy Mass -24th December 8pm
New Year Eve Holy Mass and Adoration -
31st December 8pm



ST SEBASTIAN'S SYRO-MALABAR MISSION, GEELONG VIC

SANTHOME FEST - 2022

Santhome Fest - 2022 was a Syro-Malabar cultural event conducted in St Sebastian's Syro-Malabar Mission, Geelong on 27th November 2022. Around 350 people participated in the event. There was a wide range of cultural performances not only by parish members, but also others in the wider community. Fr. Varghese Vavolil, Vicar of St Alphonsa Cathedral, Melbourne inaugurated the event.

RECEPTION TO NEW COUPLES

The Newly wed couples of the liturgical year 2021 - 2022 were felicitated on 27th November 2022 at the start of new liturgical Year. Seven couples attended the event.





ST THOMAS SYRO-MALABAR PARISH SOUTH EAST MELBOURNE

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Solemn Holy Communion and Confirmation of the children in our parish was celebrated on Saturday 5th November 2022. Bishop Bosco Puthur was the main celebrant. 28 children received Holy Communion / Confirmation.

PARISH FEAST 2022

On the 6th of November 2022, the parish celebrated the feasts of our patron Saint, St. Thomas, along with St. Sebastian, which started with a nine-day Novena, started on 28th October 2022. Our feast started with Holy Mass celebrated by Bishop Bosco Puthur, parish priest Fr. Fredy Eluvathingal, and our assistant priest Fr. Joyis Kolamkuzhiyil. Following the holy mass, there was a festal procession of St Thomas and Mother Mary. The celebration concluded with snehvirunnu. Parish youth members performed a flash mob during the snehvirunnu.

CATECHISM ANNUAL DAY 2022

The catechism department of our parish conducted Catechism annual day, celebrated on November 26th. Catechism Day is conducted to acknowledge our



younger generation in their outstanding efforts and results attained in Sunday School and Bible Kalolsavam. Children and Catechism teachers performed various cultural activities.

UNITE 2022

From our parish more than 75 youth members participated in the national youth conference - Unite 2022.



സെന്റ് മേരീസ് ക്നാനായ കാത്തലിക് പാരിഷ് മെൽബൺ

മെൽബൺ സെന്റ് മേരീസ് ക്നാനായ കാത്തലിക് പാരിഷിന്റെ സ്വർഗീയ മധ്യസ്ഥയായ പരിശുദ്ധ ജപമാല രാജ്ഞിയുടെ തിരുനാൾ ഒക്ടോബർ 23-ന് ഭക്ത്യാവംബരപൂർവ്വം ആഘോഷിച്ചു. ഫോക്നർ സെന്റ് മാത്യൂസ് ചർച്ചിൽ നടന്ന തിരുനാളോഘോഷത്തോടൊപ്പം പത്താം വാർഷികത്തിന്റെ ഉദ്ഘാടനകർമ്മവും നിർവഹിക്കപ്പെട്ടു.

യന്നൂർ, സെക്രട്ടറി ഫിലിപ്പസ് കുറുക്കോട്ടിൽ തുടങ്ങിയവർ പരിപാടികൾക്ക് നേതൃത്വം നൽകി. ബീറ്റ്സബൈ ഛണ്ടമേളം ആൻഡ് നാസിക് ഡോൾസ് ടീം അംഗങ്ങൾ അടുത്ത വർഷത്തെ തിരുനാളിന്റെ പ്രസുഭേന്തിമാരായി വാഴിക്കപ്പെട്ടു.

തിരുനാളിനോടനുബന്ധിച്ച് പാരിഷ് ദശവത്സരാഘോഷങ്ങളുടെ ഉദ്ഘാടനം ഫാ. ഷാജി പുത്തൂറു നിർവഹിച്ചു. വികാരി ഫാ. പ്രിൻസ് തൈപ്പുരയിടത്തിൽ, പാരിഷ് കൗൺസിൽ അംഗങ്ങൾ, നിരവധി വൈദികർ, പ്രസുഭേന്തിമാർ എന്നിവർ സന്നിഹതരായിരുന്നു. വരുംവർഷത്തെ കർമ്മപരിപാടികളുടെ പ്രകാശനം ഫാ. സിജീഷ് പുല്ലൻകുന്നേൽ നിർവഹിച്ചു. കെ.സി.വൈ.എൽ. കോട്ടയം അതിരൂപത മുൻ പ്രസിഡന്റ് ഷീനോയി മഞ്ഞകലാണ് ദശാബ്ദി ആഘോഷ കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ ജനറൽ കൺവീനർ.



തിരുനാളോഘോഷം ഉച്ചയ്ക്കു ശേഷം രണ്ടിന് കൊടിയേറ്റോടുകൂടി ആരംഭിച്ചു. തുടർന്ന് ആഘോഷമായ തിരുനാൾ കുർബാന. പടനിലം സെക്രട്ടറിയായ സേക്രഡ് ഹാർട്ട് ക്നാനായ കാത്തലിക് ഇടവക വികാരി ഫാ. ഷാജി പുത്തൂറു മുഖ്യകാർമ്മികത്വം വഹിച്ചു. ഫാ. ടിജു പുത്തൻപറമ്പിൽ തിരുനാൾ സന്ദേശം നൽകി. തുടർന്നു നടന്ന വർണശബളമായ തിരുനാൾ പ്രദക്ഷിണത്തിന് ഫാ. ജോയ്സ് കൊല്ലംകുഴിയിൽ നേതൃത്വം നൽകി. മെൽബൺ രൂപതാ ചാൻസലർ ഫാ. സിജീഷ് പുല്ലൻകുന്നേൽ വിശുദ്ധ കുർബാനയുടെ ആശീർവാദം നിർവഹിച്ചു. ദിവ്യബലിയിലും പ്രദക്ഷിണത്തിലും വിശുദ്ധ കുർബാനയുടെ ആശീർവാദത്തിലും നൂറുകണക്കിന് ഭക്തജനങ്ങൾ പങ്കെടുത്തു. പേപ്പൽ പതാകയേന്തിയ കുട്ടികളും മുത്തുക്കൂടുകൾ വഹിച്ച വനിതകളും ആഘോഷത്തെ ഭക്തിസാന്ദ്രമാക്കി. ബീറ്റ്സബൈ സെന്റ് മേരീസിന്റെയും മെൽബൺ സ്റ്റാർസിന്റെ ഛണ്ടമേളം ആഘോഷങ്ങൾക്കു മാറ്റുകൂട്ടി. എല്ലാ ഇടവകാംഗങ്ങളും തിരുനാളിന്റെ പ്രസുഭേന്തിമാരായിരുന്നു.

ഫെയ്ത്ത് ഫെസ്റ്റ് 2023

മതബോധന വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്കായി ഒന്നാമത്തെ ഫെയ്ത്ത് ഫെസ്റ്റ് ഒക്ടോബർ 15, 16 തീയതികളിൽ പല്ലം സീനിയർ സിറ്റി സൺ സെന്ററിൽ നടന്നു. സമാന വർഷങ്ങളിലെ വിദ്യാർത്ഥികൾക്ക് ഒത്തുചേരാനും ക്രിസ്തുവിനെ അടുത്ത് അനുഭവിക്കാനും വിശ്വാസം, സംസ്കാരം, ആരാധനക്രമം എന്നിവ അടുത്തറിയാനും സാർവത്രിക സഭയുമായി കൂടുതൽ അടുക്കാനും ഫെയ്ത്ത് ഫെസ്റ്റ് സഹായിച്ചു.

കൂടാരയോഗങ്ങളുടെ ആഭിമുഖ്യത്തിൽ പാരിഷ് ഹാളിൽ വിവിധ കലാപരിപാടികളും അരങ്ങേറി. ജനറൽ കൺവീനർ സിജോ ചാലയിൽ, കൈകാരൻമാരായ ആശിഷ് വയലിൽ, നിഷാദ് പുലി



ST. THOMAS THE APOSTLE SYRO-MALABAR PARISH, BRISBANE SOUTH

NEW TRUSTEES

The pothuyogam held on 31st October elected George Sebastian, Thomas Kachappilly, and Mathew Punnolil as our new Parish Trustees. Sharon Biju and Nivil George were selected as trainees to help trustees. Parishioners expressed their sincere gratitude to the outgoing trustees, Jogy John, Francis Joseph, Brijesh Mathai, and Ivan Jolly for their dedication and hard work during their tenure as trustees.

EVENTS & CELEBRATIONS

The 4th anniversary of the consecration of our church was celebrated on the 4th of November. This year, the parish day celebrations were held on the 27th of November, Sunday starting with Holy Mass at 9 am followed by report presentation, award distribution, and Snehavirunne. On 9th October, we celebrated the Feast of our dear

Ref. Fr. Abraham Kazhunadiyil. On the 31st of October, we concluded the October month Rosary with അവണ്യജപമാല started from 10 am to 7 pm followed by Holy Mass, procession to the grotto of Our Lady and dinner (ഭരമുട്ട). The digital copy of Santhom INSIGHTS (4th Edition) was released in October. On 23rd October, Rev. Fr. Thomas Manimala conducted special prayers and blessed the year 12 students for their final Exam. Special thanks to Rev. Fr. Thomas Manimala for being with us for one month while Fr. Abraham was in India.

REJOICE 2022

On November 3rd, the Nurse's Ministry at our parish organized, "Rejoice 2022", Nurse's gathering. A special session was led by the international team for nurses on this day.

CATHOLIC CONGRESS

The formal inauguration of

the Catholic Congress Global, Brisbane South was held on the 23rd of September after the Holy Mass at 7 pm by his excellency Bishop Bosco Puthur.

MALAYALAM KALOLSAVAM

This year the 'Malayalam Kalolsavam' for the students was held on Saturday, the 29th of October after the 9 am Holy Mass at the Catechism Center. There were several competition items for Sub Junior, Junior, and Senior students. The winners were awarded prizes during the parish day celebrations.

ANNUAL PARISH RETREAT

This year our Annual Parish Retreat in Malayalam was held from 9th to 11th Dec 2022. The 3-day retreat was led by Rev. Fr. Kurian Karickal MSFS from Charis Bhavan, Ettumanoor, Kottayam, India. Amidst the year-end vacation, a good number of parishioners attended the retreat.



DAYS OF REMEMBRANCE

JANUARY

- 3 St. Kuriakose Elias
- 6 The Feast of Denha
- 13 St. John the Baptist
- 14 St. Devasahayam
- 20 St. Sebastian
- 24 St. Francis de Sales
- 26 Australia Day
- 28 St. Thomas Aquinas
- 30 Three Days' Fast begins
- 31 St. John Bosco

FEBRUARY

- 2 The Presentation of our Lord in the Temple
- 3 St. Stephan
- 4 St. John Britto
- 11 Our Lady of Lourdes
- 17 Commemoration of the dead
- 20 Vibhoothi (Ash Monday) -Lent begins
- 25 Blessed Martyr Rani Maria

MARCH

- 19 Death of St. Joseph
- 25 The Feast of Annunciation
- 31 40th Friday of Lent

APRIL

- 2 Palm Sunday
- 6 Pesaha Thursday
- 7 Passion Friday
- 8 Great Saturday
- 9 Easter
- 13 Feast of All Saints
- 24 St. George
- 25 St. Mark, the Evangelist, ANZAC Day





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