

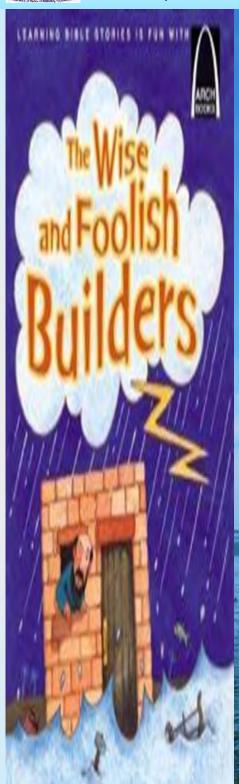
Parish Bulletin - February 14, 2016

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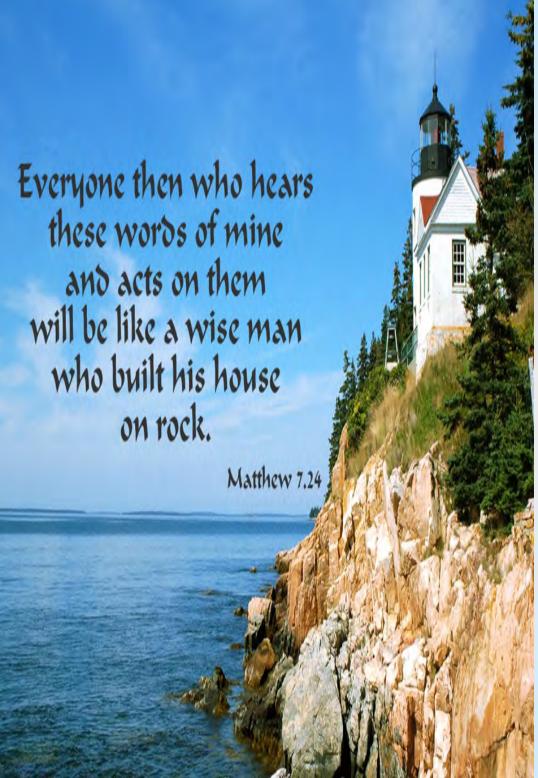
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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY

09:30am Way of the Cross 10:00am Holy Mass in Malayalam

11:40pm Holy Mass in English 05:30pm Holy Mass in Malayalam

MONDAY — FRIDAY

07:00pm Holy Mass in Malayalam

TUESDAY

After Mass Novena to St. Anthony

THURSDAY

After Mass Novena to St. Jude

FRIDAY

After Mass Way of the Cross

SATURDAY

10:00am Holy Mass in Malayalam followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

OFFERINGS	Feb 07
St Jude Novena	1,609.00
Sunday 10:00am Mass	1,416.00
Sunday 11:40am Mass	73.00
Sunday 5:30pm Mass	194.00
St. Michael Novena	30.00
Main Feast Auction	415.00
Fund Raising Program	750.00
St. Antony Novena	61.00
Building Fund	310.00
Manthra Collection	55.00
Facility Usage	3,500.00
	8,413.00

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Feb 11 Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (Day of the sick)

Feb 12 07:00pm Holy Mass followed by Way of the Cross and Night Vigil.

Feb 14 09:30am കുരിശിൻെറ വഴി

Feb 19 07:00pm Holy Mass followed by Way of the Cross.

Mar 3 - 6 Lenten Retreat @ St. Mary's Knanaya Church

Mar 4 - 6 Pre-marriage course @ S.H Knanaya Church, Maywood

Pilgrimage to Holy Land

June 12 to 22, 2016: (10 days)

Jordan, Israel, Palestine and Dubai

(Amman - Mount Nebo/ MOUNT TABOR/ SAIL ON THE **SEA OF GALILEE/ NAZARETH** / CANA / HAIFA / MOUNT CARMEL / JOPPA /**JERUSALEM/** Mount of Olives/ Gethsemane / **Bethlehem**, Via Dolorosa / Church of Holy Sepulcher / Jericho/ **Dead Sea/** Mt. Zion / Upper Room / Wailing Wall /Ein Karem/ Desert Safari in Dubai/ Dubai City Tour/ Free time for shopping in Dubai/ Visit **Burj Khaleefa- the tallest building in world/** Dhow Cruise with Dinner)

Total Cost: \$ 2690.00 per Person

Europe Pilgrimage

October 23rd to November 5th, 2016 (14 days)

Fatima, Lourdes, Assisi, Turin, Rome and Medjugorie

(Fatima AVILA – FATIMA, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, Lourdes, –AVIGNON – NICE, TURIN – MILAN, FLORENCE – PISA –CITY TOUR ROME – VATICAN MUSEUM, PAPAL AUDIENCE - ASSISI SARAJEVO – ISTANBUL and Medjugorie etc...)

Total Cost: \$ 2890.00 per Person

Registration is open for all including our youth

Please contact parish office with a copy of your passport and \$ 500 advance check payable to 'FAITH HOLIDAYS'

നോമ്പ് രണ്ടാം ഞായർ / Second Sunday of Lent

Feb 14	READING	10:00 AM	11:40 AM
1st Reading	ജോഷാ/ Joshua 4:15 - 24	Maria Kozhamplakil	Mekha Vanchiyil
2nd Reading	റോമാ / Romans 6:15 - 23	Savitha Pulickal	Sera Urumbil
Gospel	മത്തായി / John 7:21 - 27	The true disciple.	

നോമ്പ് മൂന്നാം ഞായർ / Third Sunday of Lent

Feb 21	READING	10:00 AM	11:40 AM
1st Reading	ജോഷാ/ Joshua 5:13 - 6:5	Siji Muttathil	Shelbin Pazhempally
2nd Reading	റോമാ / Romans 7:14 - 25	Reena Idiyalil	Alisha Poothurail
Gospel	മത്തായി / John 20:17 - 28	The first among you must be the servant of the all.	

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On behalf of St. Mary's Knanaya Catholic Parish vicar and assistant vicar, we would like to express our heartfelt condolences and prayers to Vanchiyil and Kottarakuzhiyil Families.

Condolences



Annamma Thomas Vanchiyil



Alexander Kottarakuzhiyil



Catechism of the Catholic Church# 540:

By the solemn lent days the Church unites herself each year to the mystery of Jesus in the desert.

"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.... If we say that we have not sinned, we make [God] a liar, and His word is not in us" (1 Jn 1:8-10). Thus Sacred Scriptures declare our guilt to be universal; hence the universal obligation to that repentance is necessary for the forgiveness of sin (Acts 2:38). Hence, all the faithful are required by divine law to do penance. As from the fact of sin we Christians can claim no exception, so from the obligation to penance we can seek no exemption.

Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving

The three traditional pillars of Lenten observance are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The key to renewed appropriation of these practices is to see their link to baptismal renewal.

Prayer: More time given to prayer during Lent should draw us closer to the Lord. We might pray especially for the grace to live out our baptismal promises more fully. We might pray for all those who will celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation during Lent that they will be truly renewed in their baptismal commitment.

Fasting: Fasting is one of the most ancient practices linked to Lent. The early Church fasted intensely for two days before the celebration of the Easter Vigil. This fast was later extended and became the VALIYANOMBU. Vatican II called us to renew the observance of the ancient paschal fast: "... let the paschal fast be kept sacred. Let it be celebrated everywhere on Good Friday and, where possible, prolonged throughout Holy Saturday, so that the joys of the Sunday of the Resurrection may be attained with uplifted and clear mind" (Liturgy, # 110).

Fasting is more than a means of developing self-control. It is often an aid to prayer, as the pangs of hunger remind us of our hunger for God. The prophet Isaiah insists that fasting without changing our behavior is not pleasing to God. "This, rather, is the fasting that I wish: releasing those bound unjustly, untying the thongs of the yoke; setting free the oppressed, breaking every yoke; sharing your bread with the hungry, sheltering the oppressed and the homeless; clothing the naked when you see them, and not turning your back on your own" (Is 58:6-7).

Fasting should be linked to our concern for those who are forced to fast by their poverty, those who suffer from the injustices of our economic and political structures, those who are in need for any reason. Fasting can help us realize the suffering that so many people in our world experience every day, and it should lead us to greater efforts to alleviate that suffering. Abstaining from meat traditionally also linked us to the poor, who could seldom afford meat for their meals. It can do the same today if we remember the purpose of abstinence and embrace it as a spiritual link to those whose diets are sparse and simple. That should be the goal we set for ourselves—a sparse and simple meal. Avoiding meat while eating lobster misses the whole point!

Almsgiving: It should be obvious at this point that almsgiving, the third traditional pillar, is linked to our baptismal commitment in the same way. It is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us. Works of charity and the promotion of justice are integral elements of the Christian way of life we began when we were baptized.

Christian tradition can name at least seven reasons for fasting:

- 1. From the beginning, God commanded some fasting, and sin entered into the world because Adam and Eve broke the fast.
- 2. For the Christian, fasting is ultimately about fasting from sin.
- 3. Fasting reveals our dependence on God and not the resources of this world.
- 4. Fasting is an ancient way of preparing for the Eucharist—the truest of foods.
- 5. Fasting is preparation for baptism (and all the sacraments)—for the reception of grace.
- 6. Fasting is a means of saving resources to give to the poor.
- 7. Fasting is a means of self-discipline, chastity, and the restraining of the appetites.