



PARISH MAGAZINE 2021

ST. ALPHONSA SYRO MALABAR CATHOLIC CHURCH, VANCOUVER

Prayerful Greetings!

We hope this letter finds you and your family in good health. It had been a challenging year for all of us to keep our spirits high. Even in this arduous situation, we are protected by God's abundant blessings.

As we restore normality, our parish is launching various events in the upcoming months to enhance the community's resilience. Alongside this, we are planning to publish our **Parish Magazine on December 26th, 2021**, with the Mega Raffle Draw. Every crisis exposes the best in us. We encourage you to bring the finest of your creativity to inspire and entertain a diverse readership. Articles are invited from the members of our parish and must be submitted to **magazine.stalphonsa@gmail.com**. The deadline for submission is **September 30th, 2021**. The topics, criteria, and deadlines are attached below. All submissions will be reviewed by the magazine committee.

We will also be announcing a magazine cover-design contest in the weeks ahead. Please stay tuned for further updates and we are looking forward to your remarkable talents.

For any inquiries, please reach out to us through magazine.stalphonsa@gmail.com.

Thank you & God Bless,

Magazine Committee

St. Alphonsa Syro Malabar Catholic Church, Vancouver

CALL FOR ARTICLES

TOPICS FOR ARTICLES

CATHOLIC CHURCH/ BIBLICAL

- History of Syro-Malabar Catholic Eparchy of Mississauga
- A valuable topic on Catholic Faith by Pope Francis
- Article about saints - St. Sebastian, St. Mariam Thresia

SHORT STORIES/ POEMS

- Short stories: should not exceed 300 words
- Poems: Minimum of 30 words & should not exceed 20 lines

DRAWINGS & PAINTINGS:

- Original, neat copies should be submitted in person to Shanty, not by email. Printed images will not be permitted

OTHER TOPICS

- Comics / Riddles
- Recipes - Traditional Syrian Catholic recipes
- Health /Wellness Topic
- Other related topics:
 - Being an International Student in Canada...
 - Travelogue
 - Family-oriented subject
 - An article on retirement life - "A Journey through my Retirement Life".
 - Importance of extracurricular activities for students
 - Canadian Life and Culture - A Visiting Parents' Perspective

SELECTION CRITERIA FOR ARTICLES

- Articles are invited from all age groups.
- Articles must be submitted with the real name of the author or artist and should include contact details.
- Originals of all articles are to be emailed to **magazine.stalphonsa@gmail.com** on or before **September 30th, 2021**. Articles will not be accepted through any other social media.
- Individual topics and short stories should not exceed 300 words.
- Poems should be a minimum of 30 words and should not exceed 20 lines.
- Original, neat copies of drawings and paintings should be submitted in person to Shanty, not by email. Printed images will not be permitted.
- Authors/artists may submit **only one entry per category**.
- Any other topics of interest are welcome, however prior approval from the magazine committee is required.
- Articles portraying any potential conflicts of interest, such as politics, religion, social issues, Catholic teachings & faith, culture and gender bias, business, etc. are not acceptable.
- The final selection of articles and the article placement in the magazine will be the decision of the magazine committee.

For more information, contact us on:
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