



ST. ALPHONSA SYRO-MALABAR CATHOLIC CHURCH

# PARISH BULLETIN

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*"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit  
and began to speak with other tongues, as the  
Spirit was giving them utterance"*  
*Acts 2:4*

## Message From The Pastor

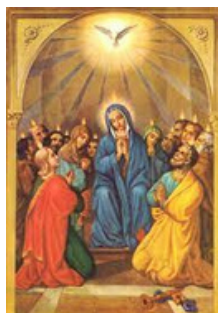


ഈശോയിൽ  
വാത്സല്യം ഉള്ളവരെ,  
പന്തക്കുസ്താ  
തിരുനാളോടെ ശ്ലീഹാ  
കാലത്തിലേക്ക് നാം  
പ്രവേശിച്ചു കഴിഞ്ഞു.

നമുക്കും ആത്മാവിനാൽ  
നിറയപ്പെട്ട് നയിക്കപ്പെടുവാൻ  
പ്രാർത്ഥിക്കാം.

സ്നേഹപൂർവ്വം സജിയച്ചൻ.  
Fr. Sajy Thomas Chakkittamuriyil.

പന്തക്കുസ്ത എന്ന വാക്കിന്റെ  
വാചാർത്ഥം "അമ്പതാം ദിവസത്തെ"  
തിരുനാൾ എന്നാണ്. ഈശോയുടെ  
ഉയിർപ്പിനു ശേഷം അമ്പതാം ദിവസമാണ്  
പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവ് സെഹിയോൻ ഊട്ടു  
ശാലയിൽ പ്രാർത്ഥനാനിരതർ ആയിരുന്ന  
പരിശുദ്ധ കന്യാമറിയത്തിന്റെ മേലും  
ശ്ലീഹൻമാരുടെ മേലും എഴുന്നള്ളി വന്നത്.  
വരുന്ന ഞായറാഴ്ച പരിശുദ്ധ  
ത്രിത്വത്തിന്റെ തിരുനാൾ ആണ്. വിശുദ്ധ  
കുടാശകളിലൂടെ പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവിന്റെ  
നിറവും പൂർണ്ണതയും കൈവരിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന



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# Project: St. Alphonsa Church, BC

With God's grace, we are embarking on making our dream come true by having our own church. Our building committee has identified an appropriate **land property close to the south of Fleetwood Park**. This property gives us enough constructible land to potentially build our Church and other required buildings. It also comes with acres of non-constructible land that can be potentially used for parking purposes. The central location of this property makes it accessible to most of our parishioners in the lower mainland.

In order to meet the required financing requirement, we have a surmountable task ahead of us. Together we have to raise approximately **\$350K by the end of June**. This may seem impossible at first glance, but nothing is impossible for God. Given the number of registered families (350+ families) in our parish, we can reach this target if every one of us is willing to contribute. We are urging that each family makes a **one-time donation of minimum 1000 CAD or more** to meet this requirement.

We have already started receiving donations from our parishioners after last Sunday's announcement. However, we will be starting our official fundraising drive this Sunday. This project will be called **"Project St. Alphonsa Church, BC"**. As Jesus became the cornerstone of our Church and laid the foundation, we are laying the foundation for our future Church with this first step. To remember the legacy of your contribution to laying this foundation, we will be **engraving your family name on the legacy plaque wall** when the Church is constructed. More details about this will be announced in the Church.

We humbly request you consider this pledge for your own Church and make every attempt to fulfill this request. May the almighty God give you in return more than ten folds compared to what you contribute to this project.

**God bless you !!**

**St. Alphonsa Church Building Committee**

## Donations to church



*Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." - 2 Corinthians 9:7*

A big thanks to all donors to our church. May God bless you for your generosity!  
You may e-transfer your donations and regular tithe to our church email or direct deposit to the church account.

Our church email id and account details are given below:

parish@stalphonsabc.org

TD Bank account (Branch 0275);

Account Number - 7888-5251473

Please note that tax receipts will be provided for annual donations above \$20.

## Parish Magazine 2023

The release of the **Annual Parish Magazine** is planned for Parish Day on September 16, 2023. For more information, click [here](#)

### Call for Advertisements



For advertising or including compliments in the parish magazine, please contact Mr. Abraham Varghese (604 724 3354) or Mr. Binoy Paul (604 537 2354)

## HOLY QURBANA

**June 4, 11, 18, 25**

Holy Mass at **5 PM**



## BIBLE READINGS

**June 4 2023**

ശ്ലീഹാക്കാലം 2nd Sunday

ജോയേ 2:18-26 (2:15-26)

ശ്ലീഹ 4:8-22 (4:5-22)

1 കൊരി 6:1-11 (5:6-6:11)

ലൂക്കാ 7:36-50 (7:31-50)

**June 11 2023**

ശ്ലീഹാക്കാലം 3rd Sunday

നിയ 1:5-8(1:3-17)

ഏശയ 1:1-9

1 കൊരി 7:1-7

ലൂക്കാ 10:25-37 (10:23-42)

**June 18 2023**

ശ്ലീഹാക്കാലം 4th Sunday

നിയ 1:16-18 (1:16-33)

ഏശയ 1:10-20

1 കൊരി 9:19-27 (9:13-27)

ലൂക്കാ 6:27-36 (6:12-46)

**June 25 2023**

ശ്ലീഹാക്കാലം 5th Sunday

നിയ 1:33-46 (1:33-2:1)

ഏശയ 1:21-31

1 കൊരി 14: 1-12 (14:1-19)

ലൂക്കാ 12:22-34 (12:16-34)

## SIGN-UP FOR PAD

We encourage our parish members to join the Pre-authorized Debit (PAD) system for Sunday collections.

For PAD Agreement Forms, please contact:

John Sebastian (604 360 2843)

Vincy Williams (604 366 4068)

or your Family unit leaders ( Visit

<https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-units/>)

# Faith Fest 2023



**FAITH FEST 2023**  
Weekend filled with fun activities and learning!

**June 10, 12-5:30PM**  
**June 11, 12-5PM**

- Venue - St. Bernadette Parish
- Registration fee - \$20 / 1 child for 2 days
- Lunch and snacks will be provided
- Registration through Google Forms
- Registration deadline - June 4
- Activities organized by the Catechism Department and Pious Association

**Mother Cynthia Lay**  
Founder of St. Joseph's missionaries of Sacrifice

Faith Fest 2023 organized by Catechism department & Pious associations is happening on June 10th & June 11th. Please register your children at the earliest so that they do not miss out on this incredible opportunity!! The weekend is full of fun filled activities. Mother Cynthia Lay would also be present to take classes for children.

Registration link:

<https://forms.gle/ir3Dov2cNGcogaxt5>

Please use 1 form for 1 child only.

Registration fee is \$20 per child for 2 days and can be e-transferred:

INTERAC email id: dayakchacko@gmail.com. Please add- FAITH FEST 2023 and the kids' name as a note when sending the amount via INTERAC.

if there are any questions, please contact Mrs. Beena Parappilly at +1 (778) 987-8841

## Catechism Updates



Kudos and blessings to all the kids who wrote their final exam on May 28. Thank you to all the catechism teachers and parents for preparing the kids. There will be regular catechism classes on **June 4, 2023**. This will be the final class for this academic year.

## Grade 12 Graduation

Our grade 12 students are graduating and



there will be a special ceremony after the mass on **June 4, 2023**. Congratulations to all our graduates!

## Welcome Newcomers!



We invite new parishioners to register and be part of our

parish community. Registration forms are available at church and our website. Our parish has a dedicated helpdesk for newcomers that can help with finding

accommodation, getting a ride to church, guidance to buy vehicle and other necessary help as needed.

### Contact:

Biju Ukken (778 709 3834)

Renji Jose (778 986 4005)

**email:** [help@stalphonsabc.org](mailto:help@stalphonsabc.org)

## CATECHETICAL DEPT.

Beena Parappilly (Principal)

Georgey Varghese (Vice Principal)

## PIOUS ASSOCIATIONS

Ninu Joseph

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Jobin Jacob

## MATHRUDEEPTHI

Preetha Sebastian

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a prayer request or if you know someone sick or shut-in, who would like the pastor to visit or bring communion, please contact Fr. Sajy Thomas

## FAMILY UNITS

The registered members of the Parish are divided into family units based on the location of their residence. Each family unit gathers once a month for prayer meeting. Please visit <https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-units/> to know which family unit you belong to and the leaders information.



## Coffee & Fellowship

Please join us for coffee & snacks in the parish hall after the Holy Mass on Sundays. If you'd like to sponsor snacks (anniversary, birthday, memoriam, etc.), please contact Joji Philip (604 306 4444)



# SANTOM FEST - EVENTS



Please join us on  
June 10th at the  
Parish Hall for a



musical evening. There will be  
karaoke led by our own  
talented adult and kid singers.  
The evening will conclude with  
a potluck dinner. Bring one of  
your favorite dish to share with  
the community. You are also  
welcome to make a monetary  
contribution.

Please use the below link to  
sign up:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4piGb-AmDXEaNXFp-sWlis5d0nBEVype9cYQUnOTjg-0QWw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe4piGb-AmDXEaNXFp-sWlis5d0nBEVype9cYQUnOTjg-0QWw/viewform?usp=sf_link)

All are cordially invited, even if  
you are not able to contribute  
to the potluck.

## SANTOM SPONSORS

Many thanks to our sponsors for  
their support and benevolence  
towards church!

- Platinum - Johnson & Lucy Group
- Gold - Lionsher Canada Immigration (Soalwin Kallingal)
- Silver - SBI Canada Bank
- Silver - Smitha Joe & Joe Francis Personal Real Estate Corp.
- Bronze - Allwyn Xavier, Hyundai Jim Pattison Auto Group
- Bronze - Aruketty Ranganathan, Insurance
- Bronze - Joji Philip, Realtor
- Bronze - Optical Outlet, King George Blvd
- Bronze - Simon Abraham Personal Real Estate Corp.
- Bronze - Southern Spice Restaurant (Manu George)

If you'd like to know more about  
the sponsorship opportunities for  
Santom, please contact:  
Abraham Varghese (604 724 3354)  
Binoy Paul (604 537 2354)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**June 10, 11**

Faith Fest

**June 10**

Karaoke Night

**July 2**

Church feast (Thirunaal)

**July 8**

Santom Fest

**September 16**

Parish Day

## Santom Sprint



READY, SET, GO!!

Santom Sports team is  
excited to host the  
Sprint event which will take place on  
July 8, 2023, as part of Santom fest. The  
kids will have multiple sprint events and  
this time, there are events planned for  
adults as well. We are looking forward  
for active participation from everyone!  
Registration is mandatory for these  
events. In case of any enquiries, reach  
out to [santomsprint@gmail.com](mailto:santomsprint@gmail.com)

Registration links:

For 18 plus:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSec-td7P3ahLOORjOvhqM1-OMRmygDkZFKfCkMsUfNodEA0MQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSec-td7P3ahLOORjOvhqM1-OMRmygDkZFKfCkMsUfNodEA0MQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

For under 18 age group:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeX4BwPQh7Io-7Jvw2UtnT0079digARjCrC4OCv90Jwqa5CvQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeX4BwPQh7Io-7Jvw2UtnT0079digARjCrC4OCv90Jwqa5CvQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

