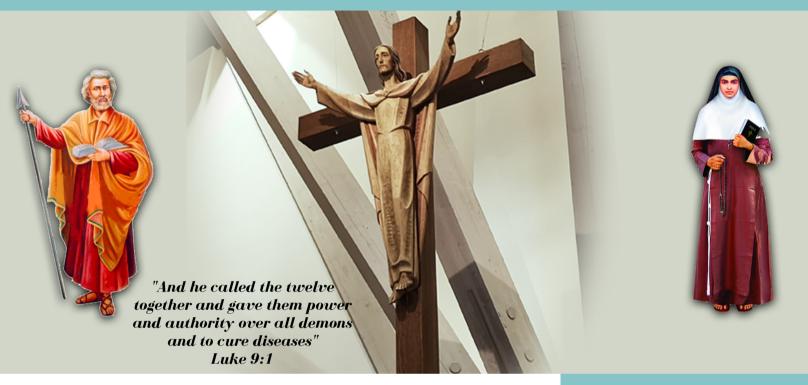




# PARISH BULLETIN

SEPTEMBER 2023



## Message From The Pastor



My dear Parishioners, As you all know, I have officially assumed my position at the Parish office of St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Catholic

Church Vancouver on July 13th. I express my sincere gratitude and appreciation to all parishioners and pastors, especially our former pastor **Rev. Fr. Sajy Chakkittamuriyil** who worked tirelessly behind the growth of this parish community.

More over I request your continued support and sincere co-operation throughout this journey of transition focused on the parish community as a whole and all its developments.

Liturgically we are celebrating 'The Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary' on September 8th. Our Lady's birthday has been described as "the hope of the entire world and the dawn of salvation". Our Blessed Mother stands ready, arms open to take us in. Daily prayers that greet and thank her for her love and care, and intercessory prayers that ask for her aid, ensure her place in our families, our homes, and our hearts. In our parish we pray 8 days of Rosary and novenas following 7 pm mass which starts on September 1st, until the feast day. Confession is available during rosary prayer. I strongly encourage everyone especially all mothers to participate in it.

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### **Pastor**

Fr. Thomas Venmanthara

### **Trustees**

Abraham Varghese John Sebastian Shiju Joseph Vincy William As we began the new academic year, I encourage all parents to bring their toddlers for **EZHUTHINIRUTHU** (Vidyarambham) on September 3rd

Sunday after holy qurbana. There will

be a special prayer and blessing dedicated only for children.

We officially inaugurate Catechism academic year 23-24 on September 10th. I gently remind all parents to make sure that the online registration forms are completed.

We will celebrate our PARISH DAY on September 16th. Along with our trustees, I also welcome you all to join us in our parish hall on this day for the same. I anticipate everyone's presence and co operation as always. I wish you all a wonderful festal greetings of Mama Mary.

With love and prayers,

Fr. Thomas Venmanthara (Vicar)

## Ettu Noyambu & Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary



Eight days of Marian Devotion starts on September 1st. Mathrudeepthi is inviting all parishioners to join these eight days of lent and prayer. There will be Rosary and Daily Mass in the evening. All Mathrudeepthi members and non members have the opportunity to sign up as Presudhendhis and pray for their family. Please sign up at https://forms.gle/yWB2ZkZkPYFkWEr87 to request the day, you would like to offer your intention. Mass will be offered with your intention on that day. Presudhendhis can donate \$50 via eTranser at "parish@stalphonsabc.org". This will help us to cover the cost for Church rental during these days.

## Catechism Updates



Inauguration of Catechetical year will be on September 10th. All children and parents are requested to be present in the church for inauguration. Regular classes will commence on September 17th. Class timing is from 3.45-4.45pm.

Kindly ensure that you **register your kids** for catechism.

For Catechism registration, we will be using <a href="https://stalphonsabc.org/mychurchapp">https://stalphonsabc.org/mychurchapp</a>.

This App can be used to track the contributions you have made so far, to update your address, to receive tax receipt etc. Since this app is linked to our church database, some of the information for catechism registration is pre-populated based on the church database.

For any questions, please contact Mrs.

Beena Parappilly (Principal) at 778 987

## **HOLY QURBANA**

September 1-8

Rosary, Holy Mass & Novena at 7 PM

**September 10, 17, 24** Holy Mass at 5 PM

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

September 10

Catechism Inauguration

September 16
Parish Day



#### September 3 2023

ഏലിയ-സ്ലീവ-മൂശ 1st Sunday നിയ 6:20-25 (6:20-7:6) ഏശയ്യാ 31:4-9(31:1-9) 2തെസ 1:3-10(1:1-10) ലൂക്കാ 18:35-43 (18:35-19:10)

#### September 10 2023

ഏലിയ-സ്ലീവ-മൂശ 2nd Sunday നിയ 7:7-11 ഏശയ്യാ 30:18-26 (30:15-26) 2തെസ 2:14-3:3 (2:14-3:18) മത്താ 13:1-9.18-23 (13:1-23)

#### September 17 2023

ഏലിയ-സ്ലിവ-മൂശ 3rd Sunday നിയ 8:11-20 ഏശയ്യാ 33:13-24 ഫിലി 2:1-11 (1:27-2:11) മത്താ 4:12-17 (4:12-5:16)

#### September 24 2023

ഏലിയ-സ്ലീവ-മൂശ 4th Sunday നിയ 9:1-6 (9:1-8) ഏശയ്യാ 25: 1-8 1തെസ 2:14-20(2:14-3:13) ഫിലി 3:1-11 (3:1-14) മത്താ 14:14-21 (17:14-27)

## Ezhuthiniruthu



As our kids are starting a new school year, we will be organizing a special

prayer for them on Sep 3. Also, for those young kids who will be entering school for the first time (preschoolers and kindergarteners), there is an opportunity for **special prayer** (**Ezhuthiniruthu**) and blessing by parish priest. Those who wish their young children to be part of Ezhuthiniruthu, please contact Fr. Thomas.

## Welcome Newcomers!



We invite new parishioners to register and be part of our parish community.

Registration forms are available at church and also on 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



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)

## Parish Day

Parish day along with release of our parish magazine is planned for September 16 2023, 10AM to 3PM. All are cordially invited to attend the program in church parish hall.

## 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

parish@stalphonsabc.org

given below:

TD Bank account (Branch 0275);
Account Number - 7888-5251473
Please note that tax receipts will be provided for annual donations above \$20.

## Marriage Preparation Course



FAMILY APOSTOLATE SYRO MALABAR, EPARCHY OF MISSISSAUGA

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE 2023

SATURDAY, SUNDAY, MONDAY



**SEPTEMBER** 23, 24, 25

NOVEMBER 4, 5, 6



For More information **647** 858 1449

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Fr. THOMAS VENMANTHARA

Sr. JYOTHY A.O.

- Applicants must be a registered member in the parish.
- Application form with a fee of \$100 should be
- interac to the mentioned email address.
   Signature of the parish priest is mandatory in the application form.

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### CATECHETICAL DEPT.

Beena Parappilly (Principal) Georgey Varghese (Vice Principal

## PIOUS ASSOCIATIONS

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## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

Jobin Jacob

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### **MATHRUDEEPTHI**

Preetha Sebastian

#### SIGN-UP FOR PAD

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

For PAD Agreement Forms, please contact:

John Sebastian (604 360 2843)
Vincy Williams (604 366 4068)
or your Family unit leaders ( Visit
<a href="https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-">https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-</a>

## Family Unit Updates



























## **FAMILY UNITS**

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