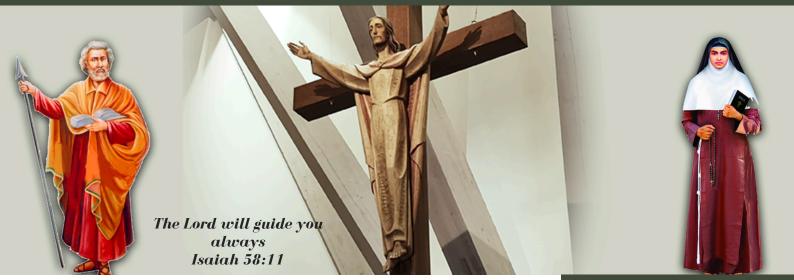




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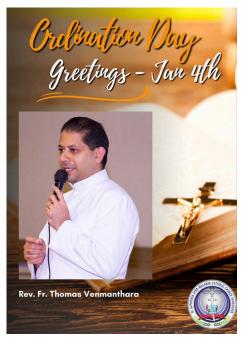




Pastor's Message

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

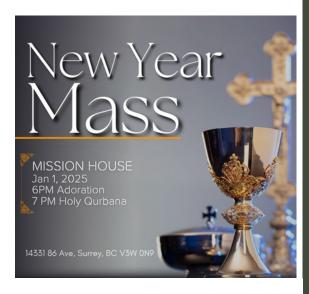
As the year 2024 draws to a close, I take a moment to reflect on God's abundant blessings and provision throughout this year. I express my sincere gratitude to each of you who have walked alongside me in this journey of faith. It had been a year filled with challenges and triumphs, yet through it all, we have seen His grace at work in our midst. Your prayers, kindness, and steadfast faith have been invaluable.



As Apostle Paul reminds us, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places" (Ephesians 1:3). As we enter into a New Year, let us renew our commitment to walk in faith, hope and love. May we draw closer to God in deeper communion and continue to encourage and uplift one another as a community. May God's peace and blessings be with you and your loved ones as we embrace the year ahead. Let us welcome it with hearts full of hope, gratitude, and a renewed commitment to follow Christ's call.

In Christ's love,

Fr. Thomas Venmanthara



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### Christingle 2024 Tickets Official Release

♣ → Our Christmas and New Year celebration, Christingle 2024, will take place on January 4 at 4:30 PM at Pacific Academy. Tickets for this grand event were officially launched on December 8 by our Platinum sponsors. ◆





St.Alphonsa Parish Christingle 2024.
Platinum Sponsor Mr Johnson Varghese & Mrs Lucy
Varghese from Johnson & Lucy Group.





A heartfelt thank you to our wonderful community for your incredible support in making Christingle 2024 a sold-out event!



## $Cate chism\ Updates$



#### **Upcoming Catechetical Activities:**

- Jan 5: Regular class
- Jan 12: Mid-Year Catechism Examination
- Jan 19: Regular Class, English Qurbana & Pious Association Activities
- Jan 26: Regular Class

#### **Catechism Dept Christmas Celebration:**

In December, the Catechism Department organized a food drive in conjunction with the Advent Calendar activity. On December 22, a special celebration was held, featuring a visit from Santa, a beautiful nativity scene, carols and cake. Medals were presented to all students who completed the Advent Calendar.

#### **Christmas videos by Catechism students:**

Catechism students from the St. Alphonsa
Catechism Department have created
wonderful videos reflecting on the spirit of
Christmas.

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#### HOLY QURBANA

St. Bernadette Parish

3:45 PM Adoration, 5 PM Qurbana

#### **Mission House**

Tue, Wed, Thu

7 PM

Fri

6 PM Adoration, 6:30 PM Qurbana

Sat

9 AM

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Jan 4, 2025

Christingle

Jan 11, 2025

Racquet Fest - 2025 Doubles Badminton Tournament (Conducted by Pithruvedhi)



#### Jan 5 2025

First Sunday of Epiphany Ex 3:1-12 Is 44:28-45:4 (44:21-45:4) 2 Tim 3:10-15 (3:1-15) Lk 4:16-22a (4:14-30)

#### Jan 12 2025

Second Sunday of Epiphany Num 10:29-36 (10:29-11:10) Is 45:11-17 Heb 3:1-6 (3:1-4:7) Jn 1:14-18 (1:1-28)

#### Jan 19 2025

Third Sunday of Epiphany Num 11:11-20 Is 45:18 - 46:4 Heb 4:1-10 (3:14-4:10) Jn 1:29-34 (1:29-42)

#### Jan 26 2025

Fourth Sunday of Epiphany Num 11:23-35 Is 46:5-13 Heb 7:23-28 (7:18-28) Jn 2:1-11(1:43- 2:11)



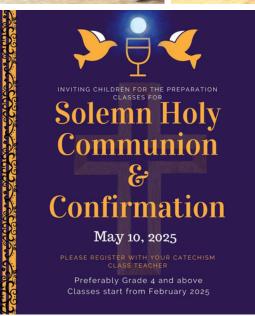












### Christmas Eve

Christmas eve mass was celebrated on Dec 24th at St.Bernadette church

















## $SMYM\ Updates$

#### SMYM Film Fest 2k24: Swargam

On Dec 05, 2024, SMYM hosted a Malayalam movie, 'SWARGAM', highlighting Catholic Values. Thank you to all who have supported this humble effort.



#### **SMYM Christmas Carol Flash Mob**

On Christmas Eve, following the 10 pm Holy Qurbana, SMYM members performed a vibrant carol flash mob. The performance featured a medley of carol songs, joyfully commemorating the birth of Jesus and spreading festive cheer among the congregation.



#### CATECHETICAL DEPT.

Beena Parappilly (Principal) Roseline Binoj (Vice Principal)

#### PIOUS ASSOCIATIONS

Roseline Binoj

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Jobin Jacob

#### SHEPHERDS OF FAITH

Lucy Johnson

#### MATHRUVEDHI

Sanitha Nereveettil

#### PITHRUVEDHI

Velby Paul

#### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH

Raina Mariya John

#### NATIONAL YOUTH

Rohan Roy

#### **ACCOUNTANT**

Binoy Paul

### PARISH CO-ORDINATOR -SAFE ENVIRONMENT

**Shanty Paulose** 

### Qurbana Booking

We extend an invitation to every family to participate in the daily masses at Mission House. Each family is encouraged to sign up for significant occasions or any special intentions.

### Church Donations



A big thanks to all donors of 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:

TD Bank account (Branch 0275): Account Number - 7888-5251473

### Parish Calendar 2025 Release

St. Alphonsa Parish calendar for 2025 was launched on Dec 8th after the Holy Qurbana.



### Felicitations Dr. Lucy Varghese



Mrs. Lucy
Varghese from
our Parish was
warmly
felicitated in
recognition of
her outstanding
achievement in
earning her
doctorate.

### Family Unit Updates

Carols were held at each family unit level throughout the month of December





Please visit <a href="https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-units/">https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-units/</a> to know the family unit you belong to and the leader's information









