



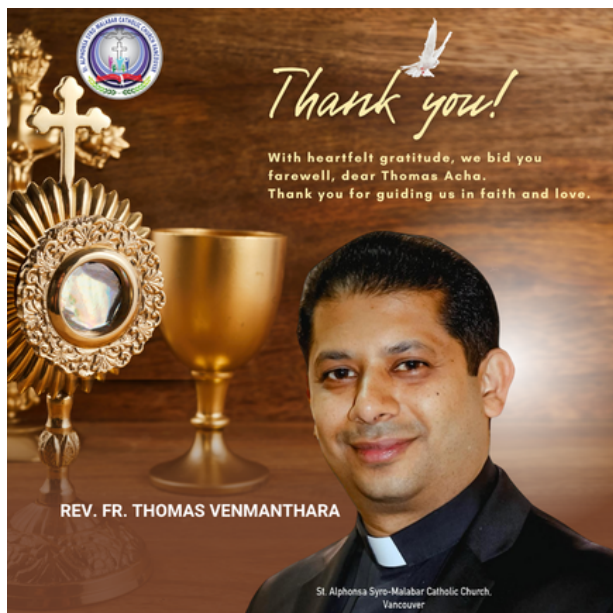
ST. ALPHONSA SYRO-MALABAR CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH BULLETIN

JUNE 2025



*Teach me what I do not
see; if I have done iniquity,
I will do it no more
Job 34:32*



Farewell to Fr. Thomas



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Our parish community bid a heartfelt farewell to Rev. Fr. Thomas Venmanthara, who is returning to Kerala after his devoted priestly service in Canada. During his time with us, Achan played a pivotal role in realizing the long-awaited Mission House, organizing impactful spiritual retreats, strengthening family units, and guiding youth faith formation with great zeal. He offered unwavering support to all our parish organizations. He also led landmark events such as Chitravarnam and Christingle with remarkable dedication. As we thank Achan for his spiritual leadership, tireless service, and compassionate presence, we send him off with our prayers, gratitude, and blessings for his continued journey in Christ's service.



Abbotsford Mission

The Abbotsford Mission Center bid farewell to Fr. Thomas in recognition of his devoted service.



Solemn Holy Communion & Confirmation

On May 10, 2025, children from our parish received their Solemn Holy Communion and Confirmation. Congratulations to all the children and families on this important spiritual milestone. Thanks to Rev. Fr. Thomas Venmanthara for his guidance and all the teachers for preparing the children.



Heartfelt appreciation to Rev. Fr. Saji Chakkittamuriyil & Rev. Fr. Lijo Jose for celebrating the occasion with us. Gratitude to the parents, parish council, altar servers, choir, and Mathruvedhi for their support and efforts in making the day special.

HOLY QURBANA

St. Bernadette Parish

4 PM Adoration

5 PM Qurbana

Mission House

Tue, Wed, Thu

7 PM

Fri

6 PM Adoration, 6:30 PM Qurbana

Sat

9 AM



Chilliwack Mission

First Saturday

6:30 PM Rosary

7 PM Qurbana,

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Abbotsford Mission

Second Saturday

7 PM Qurbana, St. James Catholic Church



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.

<https://stalphonesabc.org/qurbana-booking/>

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 8, 15, 2025

Faith Fest



June 8, 2025

Santom Cup revealing

July 5, 2025

Santom Fest





Installation of Trustees

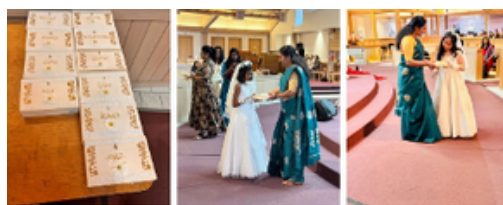
We warmly welcome **Mr. John Sebastian** and **Mr. Joyson George** as our new parish trustees. They officially took charge on May 4, 2025. May God bless them with wisdom and strength in their service to our parish community. Big Thank you to outgoing trustees **Mr. Alex Thomas & Mr. Sinoj Sebastian** for their dedicated service.

Catechism Updates

- The Catechism Exam was conducted on May 25. Thank you to all students, parents, and teachers for their dedication.
- Faith Fest** will be held on June 8th and 15th.

Mathruvedhi Updates

SyroMalabar Mathruvedhi joyfully came together to help decorate our church and lovingly prepared thoughtful gift packages for all the children receiving their Solemn Holy Communion. As a spiritual support, our mothers united in prayer through our WhatsApp group, lifting up every child during this special sacramental milestone.



Mathruvedhi along with all parishioners also gathered at church for a heartwarming Mother's Day celebration, complete with cake cutting and joyful fellowship.



BIBLE READINGS

June 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday, Season of Resurrection
Is 6:1-13
Acts 1:15-26
Phil 2:1-11
Mk 16:14-20

June 8, 2025

First Sunday, Season of the Apostles
Ex 19:1-9
Acts 2:1-13
1 Cor 12:1-11
Jn 16:5-15

June 15, 2025

Second Sunday, Season of the Apostles
Joel 2:18-26
Acts 4:8-22
1 Cor 6:1-11
Lk 7:36-50

June 22, 2025

Third Sunday, Season of the Apostles
Deut 1:5-8
Is 1:1-9
1 Cor 7:1-7
Lk 10:25-37

June 29, 2025

Fourth Sunday, Season of the Apostles
Deut 1:16-18
Is 1:10-20
1 Cor 9:19-27 (9:13-27)
Lk 6:27-36

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:
parish@stalphonsabc.org
TD Bank account (Branch 0275):
Account Number - 7888-5251473

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

For PAD agreement forms, please contact your family unit leaders or any of the trustees.



CATECHETICAL DEPT.

Beena Parappilly (Principal)
Roseline Binoj (Vice Principal)

PIOUS ASSOCIATIONS

Roseline Binoj

SHEPHERDS OF FAITH

Lucy Johnson

MATHRUVEDHI

Sanitha Nereveettil

PITHRUVEDHI

Velby Paul

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Jobin Jacob

ACCOUNTANT

Binoy Paul

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH

Raina Mariya John

NATIONAL YOUTH

Rohan Roy

Youth Updates

Farewell to Fr. Thomas

The youth of St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Catholic Church in Vancouver bid an emotional farewell to Rev. Fr. Thomas, expressing deep gratitude for his unwavering support, presence, and guidance. They remembered him not just as a priest, but as a mentor, friend, and integral part of their spiritual journey—someone who empowered them, believed in them, and made the church feel like home. His leadership during events like the Abba 2024 youth retreat and the weekly Youth Corner leaves a lasting impact.

Farewell to Mrs. Shanty Poulose

The youth of St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Catholic Church offered a heartfelt farewell to the youth animator Mrs. Shanty Poulose, expressing deep gratitude for her unwavering support, love, and guidance.



Santom 2025

Santom is back on July 8, bringing you tug of war, delicious food and much more! Pre-order: <https://santomfest.square.site/>



St. Alphonsa Syro-Malabar Catholic Church Presents

Santom Fest 2025
JULY 05, 2025
North Delta Track and Field

PRE ORDER MENU Order online today!
PICKUP AT 5 PM

Pazhampori & Beef Roast	\$18
Kappa & Fish Curry	\$18
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Porotta & Beef curry	\$20
Ellum Kappayum	\$18
Chicken Biryani	\$20
Mutton Biryani	\$20
Veg. Fried Rice & Veg. Curry	\$16

Hungry for more?
Don't miss our live cooking!
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Opens 2.30 pm, July 05

<https://santomfest.square.site>

10% preorder discount on orders above \$50
July 05, 2025 - Saturday
Preorder Pickup starts at 5 PM
North Delta Track and Field
North Delta, BC



Family Unit updates

The registered members of the parish are divided into family units based on the location of their residence. Visit <https://www.stalphonsabc.org/family-units/> to know the family unit you belong to and the leader's information

