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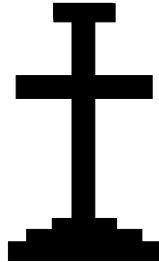
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The Feasts of our Lord, such other obligatory days and days of importance are given in this Ecclesiastical Calendar. The Lord's Feasts, which commemorate the salvific events of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ and other very important feasts are to be observed like Sundays. On these days, the faithful should participate in the Holy *Qurbano* and should refrain from all servile works. They should specially be solicitous to observe these days holy by engaging themselves in the reading of the Holy Scripture, meditation, prayer and other virtuous deeds. On the Sunday before the important feasts, the priest has to announce in the church about how to observe them.

The Feasts of Our Lord and other important feasts that we celebrate are given below:

The Feasts of Our Lord

1. **Yaldo** (The Birth of Our Lord)
2. **Denho** (Baptism of Our Lord)
3. **Mayaltho** (Entrance of Our Lord into the Temple)
4. **Qyomtho** (Easter)
5. **Sulokho** (The Ascension of Our Lord)
6. **Pentecost** (Fiftieth Day Feast)
7. **M'thale** (Transfiguration of Our Lord)

The Feasts to be observed like the Feasts of Our Lord

1. **March 25** – **Suboro** (Feast of the Annunciation)
2. **June 29** – **Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul**
3. **July 3** – **Dukrono**
(The Martyrdom of St. Thomas)
4. **August 15** – **Sunoyo** (The Assumption of Mary, the Mother of God, into Heaven)
5. **Sept. 14** – **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

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Maundy Thursday

This is the day of commemoration of our Lord instituting the Holy *Qurbono*. On this day all faithful, young as well as old, shall participate in the Holy *Qurbono* and receive the same worthily.

Good Friday

All are obliged to participate in the special liturgical services of the day.

Season of the Passover

The period from the beginning of the Great Fast till the first Sunday after Pentecost is known as the Season of Passover

Fasts

1. Canonical Fasts

1. **Twenty-Five Days *Nombu* - 1-25 December 2023**
2. **Three-Days *Nombu* / Nineveh *Nombu* - Jan 22-25 2024**
3. **Fifty-Days *Nombu* / the Great Lent - 11 Feb - 30 March 2024**

2. Pious Fasts [Besides the above given fasts, there are 3 others, which although not binding under law, we are advised to observe them as part of our devotion].

1. **Thirteen-Days *Nombu* (*Sleeha Nombu* - 16-29 June 2024)**
2. **Fifteen-Days *Nombu* (*Sunoyo Nombu* - 1-15 August 2024)**
3. **Eight- Days *Nombu* (1-8 September 2024)**

3. Mar Ivanios Fast [This fast is devotedly observed by Faithful for the cause of the canonization process of Servant of God Archbishop Mar Ivanios]. 1-15 July 2024.

Abstinence

On all Fridays and days of the Twenty-Five Days *Nombu*, the Three-Days *Nombu* and the Fifty-Days *Nombu*, the faithful shall abstain from meat. But the 18 days, after the Three-Days *Nombu* till the commencement of the Great Fast and 50 days between *Qyomto* and Pentecost are exempted from this abstinence.

On days of the Nineveh Fast, first Monday (*Shubkono*) and all Fridays of the Great Fast and on days from 40th Friday till *Qyomto* we should also abstain from fish and egg. On Good Friday, besides what is mentioned above we should abstain from milk and all milk-products. There is no abstinence on the closing day of Fasts, whatever day it may be.

Fasting

The faithful above 21 years and below 60 years of age are obliged to fast till noon on the second day of the *Nineveh* Fast, first Monday and all Fridays of the Great Fast. Sick persons, pregnant women and those who do hard labour are not obliged to fast.

Prohibition from Marriage Celebrations

The Holy Episcopal Synod gives certain particular laws concerning the celebration of marriage in our Church. **The Church earnestly desires that the Sacrament of Marriage be conducted at the periods prescribed for the celebration of marriage.** The celebration of marriage is prohibited in our Church during the Seasons of the Twenty-Five Days Fast, Three-Days Fast, Fifty-Days Fast and the Season of the Expectation of the Coming of the Holy Spirit (From Ascension to the Feast of Pentecost). But for serious reasons, the heads of the Archieparchies/Eparchies have the authority to grant dispensation to the faithful to celebrate marriage during these prohibited seasons. **The faithful are reminded that such dispensation shall be sought only when there are grave reasons.** In the Pastoral set up, considering the needs of the faithful of different regions favourably, the application shall be given for conducting marriage during the periods of the Expectation of the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Twenty-Five Days Fast and the Great Lent (Up to the Mid-Lent). In order to obtain such dispensation, a fees in proportion to the dispensation has to be remitted to the Eparchial Curia. This fee shall be used to conduct the

Memorable Historical Events

- A.D. 52 Arrival of St. Thomas to Kerala. The Churches established by him are Kodungalloor, Palayoor, Paravoor (Kottackavu), Kokkamangalam, Chayal, Niranam and Kollam.
- 72 July 3 Martyrdom of St. Thomas.
- 345 Thomas of Cana landed at Kodungalloor.
- 1599 June 20-26 Synod of Diamper (Udayamperoor).
- 1653 Jan 3 Koonan Cross Oath (Against the Portuguese rule).
- 1882 Sep 21 Birth of Geevarghese Mar Ivanios
- 1908 Sep 15 Priestly Ordination of Geevarghese Mar Ivanios
- 1919 Aug 15 Rev. Fr. P.T. Geevarghese (Later Mar Ivanios) established the Bethany Ashram in Ranni-Perunad in the Malankara Orthodox Church.
- 1925 May 1 Episcopal Ordination of Archbishop Geevarghese Mar Ivanios (in the Malankara Orthodox Church) at Niranam. His Holiness Baselios Catholicos (Mar Philexinos of Vakathanam) was the Principal consecrator, His Grace Yuyakim Mar Koorilos of Kandanad and His Grace Mar Gregorios of Niranam (Third Catholicos) were the Co-consecrators.
- 1926 Parumala Synod (Malankara Orthodox Church) (Mar Ivanios was entrusted by the Synod of Orthodox Church for the discussion of the reunion with Rome)
- 1926 Nov 11 Episcopal Ordination of Mar Dioscorus (Knanaya Jacobite Church)
- 1929 Feb 16 Episcopal Ordination of Jacob Mar Theophilos (in the Malankara Orthodox Church) at Kottayam. His Holiness Baselios Geevarghese II was the principal consecrator, His Grace Vattaseril Mar Divannasios and His Grace Geevarghese Mar Ivanios of Bethany were the Co-consecrators.

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- 1930 Sep 20 **Syro-Malankara Re-Union**
A group of five persons from the Malankara Orthodox Church headed by Abp. Mar Ivanios along with Bishop Mar Theophilos, Rev. Fr. John Kuzhinapurath OIC, Deacon Alexander OIC and Mr. Chacko Kilileth reunited with the Catholic Church (At Aramana Chapel, Kollam received by His Excellency Aloysius Maria Benziger).
- 1932 June 11 Establishment of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Hierarchy. Erection of the Archieparchy of Trivandrum and Eparchy of Tiruvalla.
- 1933 March 12 Inauguration of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Hierarchy and the Installation of Archbishop Geevarghese Mar Ivanios as the first Metropolitan Archbishop of Trivandrum at Queen of Peace Pro-Cathedral, Palayam.
- 1933 March 13 First Holy Mass, after the establishment of the Hierarchy, was celebrated by Mar Ivanios as the main celebrant and Jacob Mar Theophilos as the co-celebrant at Queen of Peace Pro-Cathedral, Palayam.
- 1933 May 25 Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Joseph Mar Severios of Niranam (Malankara Orthodox Church).
- 1933 Nov 6 Installation of Bishop Jacob Mar Theophilos as the first Bishop of Tiruvalla.
- 1937 Nov 29 Re-union of Bishop Joseph Mar Severios
- 1938 Nov 20 Appointment of Bishop Joseph Mar Severios as the Apostolic Administrator of the Eparchy of Tiruvalla.
- 1939 Nov 12 Re-union of Bishop Thomas Mar Dioscoros from Knanaya Jacobite Church.
- 1943 Feb 22 Demise of Bishop Thomas Mar Dioscoros (Tombed at St. Mary's church Tirumoolapuram).
- 1950 May 5 Installation of Bishop Joseph Mar Severios as Bishop of Tiruvalla.

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- 1953 Jan 29 Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Benedict Mar Gregorios as Auxiliary Bishop of Trivandrum.
- 1953 July 15 Demise of Archbishop Geevarghese Mar Ivanios.
- 1954 April 22 Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Zacharias Mar Athanasios as Auxiliary Bishop of Tiruvalla.
- 1955 Jan 18 Demise of Bishop Joseph Mar Severios.
- 1955 Jan 22 Installation of Archbishop Benedict Mar Gregorios as second Metropolitan Archbishop of Trivandrum.
- 1955 Jan 27 Installation of Bishop Zacharias Mar Athanasios as Bishop of Tiruvalla.
- 1955 Sept 20 Silver Jubilee of Reunion at Tiruvalla
- 1956 June 27 Demise of Bishop Mar Theophilos.
- 1962 Oct 11 Inauguration of the 21st Ecumenical Council (Second Vatican Council).
Archbishop Benedict Mar Gregorios, Metropolitan Archbishop of Trivandrum and Bishop Zacharias Mar Athanasios, Eparchial Bishop of Tiruvalla, were attended in all sessions of Second Vatican Council, representing Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
- 1964 Dec 4 Visit of Pope Paul VI to India.
- 1965 Feb 22 Blessing of the Metropolitan Church of the Archieparchy of Trivandrum (St. Mary's Cathedral).
- 1965 Dec 8 Closing of the 21st Ecumenical Council.
- 1967 Dec 16 Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Paulose Mar Philexinos.
- 1968 Feb 28 'Yuvadeepam' , the first Youth Movement in the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, was formed in Tiruvalla.
- 1971 Nov. Youth Movement in the Archieparchy of Trivandrum was formed in the name of 'Malankara Catholic Youth Movement' (MCYM) . The Church officially recieved this name for the

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1994 Oct 10	Demise of Archbishop Benedict Mar Gregorios
1995 Dec 14	Installation of Archbishop Cyril Mar Baselios as Metropolitan Archbishop of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
1996 Feb 11-13	Visit of Achille Cardinal Sylvestrini, the Prefect of the Congregation for the Oriental Churches, to the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
1996 Feb13-21	C.B.C.I. meeting held at St.Mary's Malankara Major Seminary, Nalanchira, TVM.
1996 March 2	Establishment of the Malankara Catholic Association (MCA), an apostolic (pious) association for the laity in the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
1996 Dec 16	Erection of the Eparchy of Marthandom.
1997 Jan 23	Enthronement of Most Rev. Lawrence Mar Ephrem as the first Bishop of Marthandom.
1997 Feb 5	Episcopal Ordination and Enthronement of Most Rev. Geevarghese Mar Divannasios as Bishop of Bathery.
1997 April 8	Demise of Bishop Lawrence Mar Ephrem.
1997 July 17	Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Thomas Mar Koorilos as Auxiliary Bishop of Tiruvalla.
1998 June 29	Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Yoohanon Mar Chrysostom (Bishop of Marthandom) and Most Rev. Joshua Mar Ignathios (Auxiliary Bishop of Trivandrum) at Nalanchira.
1998 July 1	Enthronement of Most Rev. Yoohanon Mar Chrysostom as Bishop of Marthandom.
1998 Nov 3	Demise of Bishop Paulose Mar Philexinos.
2000 June 24	Archbishop Cyril Mar Baselios took charge as the President of CBCI.
2001 Aug 15	Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Isaac Mar Cleemis as Auxiliary Bishop of Trivandrum and Apostolic Visitor to North America and Europe (Thirumoolapuram).

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- 2006 May 15 Erection of the ecclesiastical province of Tiruvalla and the elevation of the Eparchy of Tiruvalla as Archieparchy.
- 2006 June 10 Enthronement of Most Rev. Isaac Mar Cleemis as the First Metropolitan Archbishop of Tiruvalla.
- 2007 Jan 1 Erection of the Eparchy of Mavelikara.
- 2007 Jan 18 Demise of Moran Mor Cyril Baselios Catholicos.
- 2007 Jan 18 Bishop Geevarghese Mar Divannasios took charge as the Administrator of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
- 2007 Feb 8-10 The First Holy Episcopal Synod to elect the Catholicos held at the Catholicate Centre.
- 2007 Feb 10 Archbishop Isaac Mar Cleemis, elected as the Major Archbishop-Catholicos of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church by the Holy Episcopal Synod.
- 2007 Feb 16 Enthronement of Most Rev. Joshua Mar Ignathios as the First Bishop of the Eparchy of Mavelikara.
- 2007 March 5 Enthronement of Most Rev. Isaac Mar Cleemis as Major Archbishop-Catholicos with the title 'Moran Mor Baselios Cleemis'.
- 2007 March 10 Episcopal Ordination of Jacob Mar Barnabas as Apostolic Visitor to the Syro-Malankara Catholic faithful residing in the Extra-territorial Regions in India.
- 2007 March 22 Most Rev. Jacob Mar Barnabas, the Apostolic Visitor to the Syro-Malankara Catholic faithful residing in the Extra-territorial Regions in India, took charge.
- 2007 May 2 Enthronement of Most Rev. Thomas Mar Koorilos as Metropolitan Archbishop of Tiruvalla.
- 2007 July 14 Solemn Declaration of Archbishop Mar Ivanios as 'Servant of God' by Moran Mor Baselios Cleemis Catholicos.

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- 2010 Jan 25 Erection of the Eparchies of Pathanamthitta and Puttur.
- 2010 March 13 Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Vincent Mar Paulos (Bishop of Marthandom), Most Rev. Thomas Mar Anthonios (Curia Bishop), Most Rev. Samuel Mar Irenios (Auxiliary Bishop of Trivandrum) and Most Rev. Philipose Mar Stephanos (Auxiliary Bishop of Tiruvalla). Patriarch Gregorios III Laham of Greek Melkite Catholic Church was the Chief Guest.
- 2010 March 14 Enthronement of Most Rev. Vincent Mar Paulos as Bishop of Marthandom.
- 2010 March 15 Most Rev. Dr. Thomas Mar Anthonios officially took charge as the first Curia Bishop.
- 2010 March 20 Enthronement of Most Rev. Yoohanon Mar Chrysostom as the first Bishop of Pathanamthitta.
- 2010 April 13 Enthronement of Most Rev. Joseph Mar Thomas as Bishop of Bathery.
- 2010 April 15 Enthronement of Most Rev. Geevarghese Mar Divannasios as the first Bishop of Puttur.
- 2010 July 14 Erection of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Exarchate in the USA.
- 2010 Sep 20-21 80th Anniversary of Reunion Movement at St. Mary's Cathedral, Pattom, Trivandrum.
- 2010 Sep 20 Establishment of the Malankara Catholic Children's League (MCCL), an apostolic (pious) association for the Sunday School students in the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
- 2010 Sep 21 Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Thomas Mar Eusebius as the first Bishop of the Exarchate in the USA and Apostolic Visitor to Canada and Europe (at St. Mary's Cathedral, Trivandrum).
- 2010 Oct 3 Enthronement of Most Rev. Thomas Mar Eusebius as the first Bishop of the Exarchate in the USA (in New York).

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	held at Rome, representing the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, convoked by Pope Benedict XVI.
2012 Oct 24	Moran Mor Baselios Cleemis Catholicos was elevated Cardinal by His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI.
2012 Nov 24	Moran Mor Baselios Cleemis Catholicos was created as a Cardinal.
2012 Nov 25	Thanksgiving Holy Mass of Syro-Malankara Catholic Church at St John & Paul Basilica, Rome, lead by Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos. Heads of the different Churches and faithful from all over the world attended. Thereafter, the felicitation Meeting and Agape.
2012 Dec 1	Thanksgiving Holy Mass of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church in the context of the elevation of Moran Mor Baselios Cleemis Catholicos at St. Mary's Cathedral, Trivandrum.
2013 March 12-13	Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos participated in the Conclave for the election of 266 th Pope of the Universal Catholic Church.
2013 March 19	Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos attended in the Installation Ceremony of Pope Francis, representing the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
2013 May 19	Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos took charge of the Basilica of St Gregorio VII, the titular church, in Rome.
2013 July 15	The 60 th Commemoration feast of Servant of God Mar Ivanios. His Eminence Louis Antonio Cardinal Tagle, Archbishop of Manila in Philippines, was the Chief Guest.
2013 Sept 20	Blessing of the St. Mary's Cathedral, Eparchy of Mavelikara.
2013 Sept 21	83 rd Reunion Day celebration at Punnamoodu in Mavelikara.

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- 2016 Jan 16 Concluding Ceremony of the Birth Centenary of Archbishop Benedict Mar Gregorios. His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracius was presided over the function. His Grace Salvatore Penacchio, the Apostolic Nuncio, inaugurated the function (St. Mary's Cathedral, Pattom)
- 2016 Jan 4 Erection of the Eparchy of St. Mary, Queen of Peace USA-Canada.
- 2016 Jan 23 Enthronement of Most Rev. Thomas Mar Eusebius as the first Bishop of the Eparchy of St. Mary, Queen of Peace USA- Canada.
- 2016 March 8 Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos was re-elected as the President of CBCI.
- 2016 July 15 His Grace Timothy Cardinal Michael Dolan, Archbishop of New York was the Chief Guest in the 63rd commemoration of the Servant of God Archbishop Mar Ivanios.
- 2016 Aug 25 Closing ceremony of the canonical inquiry of the Cause of Canonisation of the Servant of God Archbishop Mar Ivanios in the Major Archieparchial level.
- 2016 Sept 8 Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos together with Most Rev. Thomas Mar Anthonios submitted the official documents of the canonisation process to His Eminence Angelo Cardinal Amato, the Prefect of the Congregation for the cause of Saints in the Vatican.
- 2016 Sept 17,18 86th Reunion Day, *Sabhasangamam* and the Golden Jubilee celebration of South Canara Malankara Mission held at Noojibalthila in the Eparchy of Puttur.
- 2016 Sept 19, 20 Blessing of the St. Thomas Cathedral, Eparchy of Bathery.
- 2017 Jan 24 Geevarghese Mar Divannasios, the first bishop of the Eparchy of Puttur, retired from the official duties and responsibilities of the Eparchy.

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- 2018 April 29 Most Rev. Samuel Mar Irenios took charge as the Co-Adjutor Bishop of Pathanamthitta
- 2018 July 15 65th Commemoration of the Servant of God, Archbishop Mar Ivanios. His Eminence Cardinal Rainer Maria Wolki, Archbishop of Köln, Germany, was the Chief Guest.
- 2018 Sept 20, 21 88th Reunion Day and *Sabhasangamam* which was hosted by Eparchy of Muvattupuzha were cancelled due to the flood caused in Kerala. Instead of this, it was observed in parish level.
- 2018 Oct 3-28 Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis, representing the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, attended the Synod, convoked by Pope Francis at Rome, based on the theme 'Young People, the Faith and Vocational Discernment'.
- 2019 Jan 19 Golden Jubilee of MCYM Celebration in the Church level at Punnamoodu, Mavelikara.
- 2019 Mar 11 Visit of His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Giambattista Diquattro (Apostolic Nuncio) to HES.
- 2019 March 13 First meeting for the Centenary (2030) celebraion of Reunion Day at Catholicate Centre, Pattom, convoked by the Head of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church.
- 2019 June 4 Demise of Geevarghese Mar Timotheos, Bishop-Emeritus of Archieparchy of Tiruvalla.
- 2019 June 8 Bishop Yoohanon Mar Chrysostom, the first Bishop of the Eparchy of Pathanamthitta, retired from the official duites and responsabilites of the Eparchy.
Enthronement of Most Rev. Samuel Mar Irenios as the Bishop of Pathanamthitta.
- 2019 June 8 Bishop Abraham Mar Julios, the second Bishop of the Eparchy of Moovattupuzha, retired from the official duites and responsabilites of the Eparchy.
- 2019 June 12 Enthronement of Most Rev. Yoohanon Mar Theodosius as the Bishop of Muvattupuzha.

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- 2019 July 15 66th Commemoration of the Servant of God, Archbishop Mar Ivanios.
His Beatitude Ibrahim Isaac Sedrak Gad Elsayad, the Head of the Coptic Catholic Church, Alexandria, was the Chief Guest.
- 2019 Sept 18-20 89th Reunion Day and *Sabhasangamam* and Centenary celebration of Bethany Ashram held at Kottayam Girideepam
- 2019 Sept 22,23 The *Ad limina* Visit to the Holy Father Pope Francis by the Bishops of the Holy Episcopal Synod at Rome headed by Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos.
- 2019 Oct 8-10 The Second Assembly of the SMCC based on the theme 'Grace-filling Family' (Pattom, Catholicate Centre).
- 2019 Oct 10 25th Commemoration Day of Archbishop Benedict Mar Gregorios.
- 2019 Nov 23 Erection of the Eparchy of St. Ephrem, Khadki-Pune
- 2020 Jan 14 Inauguration of the Eparchy of St. Ephrem, Khadki-Pune and enthronement of Most Rev. Thomas Mar Anthonios as its first Bishop.
- 2020 July 15 67th Commemoration of the Servant of God, Archbishop Mar Ivanios. It was celebrated in restricted manner due to 'Covid-19'
- 2020 Sept 19-21 90th Reunion Day and *Sabhasangamam* at Mavelikara. (On the context of Covid, the Programmes were held through the Web Platform)
- 2021 June 1 *Navathi* Year of the institution of the Hierarchy of the Malankara Syrian Catholic Church and *Navathi* of the erection of Major Archieparchy of Trivandrum and Archieparchy Thiruvalla was inaugurated by His Beatitude Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Major Archbishop-Catholicos at St. Mary's Queen of Peace Basilica, Palayam.

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- 2021 July 15 68th Commemoration of the Servant of God, Archbishop Mar Ivanios. It was celebrated in restricted manner due to 'Covid-19'.
- 2021 Aug 26 Demise of Jacob Mar Barnabas, Bishop of the Eparchy of Gurgaon-Delhi
- 2021 Sept 20-21 91st Reunion Day and *Sabhasangamam*, which was decided to conduct at Marthandam, was celebrated at the eparchial level on the context of Covid.
- 2022 July 15 69th Commemoration of the Servant of God, Archbishop Mar Ivanios.
- Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Antony Mar Silavanos (Bishop of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia) and Most Rev. Mathews Mar Polycarpos (Auxiliary Bishop of Trivandrum) at St. Mary's Cathedral.
- 2022 July 18 Most Rev. Antony Mar Silavanos took charge of the Bishop of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia.
- 2022 Sept 20-21 92nd Reunion Day and *Sabhasangamam* at Tiruvalla.
- 2023 June 16 Pope Francis appointed Msgr. George Panamthundil, a member of the Major Archieparchy of Trivandrum as the Archibish and apostolic nuncio of Khasakistan, Kirjistan, Thajikistan.
- 2023 July 15 70th comemmoration day of Servant of God Mar Ivanios. Vatican Ambassador Archbishop Leopoldo Girelli was the chief guest.
- 2023 September 9 Episcopal Ordination of Archbishop Dr. George Panamthundil at St. Peters Basilica in Rome.
- 2023 September 21 93rd Reunion Day and Sabhasangamam held at Mar Ivanios Nagar in the Eparchy of Muvattupuzha.

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Readings for Special Occasions

Commemoration of All Saints

Rev 19:1-16; Rom 8:26-30; Phil 3:8-14; Mt 16:24-27;
Jn 15:1-8; Jn 17:20-26.

Commemoration of the Martyrs

Acts 7:55-60; Rev 7:9-17; Jas 1:2-12; 1Pet 3:14-17; Rom 5:1-5;
Rom 8:31-39; 2 Cor 4:7-15; Heb 10:32-36; Mt 10:17-22; Mk 8:34-38
Mt 10:28-33; Lk 9:23-26; Jn 12:24-26; Jn 15:18-21; Jn17:11-19.

Commemoration of the Doctors of the Church

1 Cor 1:18-25; 1 Cor 2:1-10; Eph 3:8-12; 2 Tim 4:1-5; Mt 5:13-16; Mt 23:8-12.

Commemoration of the Virgins

1 Cor 7:25-35; Mt 25:1-13; Lk 10:38-42.

Commemoration of the Departed Souls

Wis 3:1-9; Wis 4:7-14; Dan 12:1-3; 2 Macc 12:43-46; 1 Jn 3:1-2;
1 Jn 3:14-16; Rom 5:7-21; Rom 6:3-9; Rom 14:7-12; 1Cor15:20-28;
1Cor 15:51-57; 2 Cor 5:1-10; Phil 3:20-21; 1 Thess 4:13-18; 2 Tim 2:8-13;
Mt 25:1-13; Mt 25:31-46; Lk 7:11-17; Jn 5:24-29; Jn 6:37-40; Jn 6:51-58;
Jn 11:17-27; Jn11:32-45; Jn 14:1-6.

Thanksgiving

Prov 50:22-24; Isa 63:7-9; Ps 105:38-45, 1Cor 1:3-9, Eph 1:3-14;
Col 3:12-17; Mt 7:7-11; Mk 4:35-41; Lk 18:1-8; Jn17:6-19

Votive Holy Qurbono

Lam 3:17-26; Dan 3:34-43; Jas 1:2-12; Rom 8:18-30; Rom 8:31-39;
Heb 4:14-16; Mt 7:7-11; Mk 4:35-41; Lk 18:1-8; Jn 17:6-19

Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination

1Pet 5:1-4; 1Tim 6:11-21; 1 Tim 5:17-22; Jn 10:11-16; Mt 6:25-34

Commemoration of Bishops

1Jn 3:11-16; Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51

Sacerdotal Jubilee

1Tim 1:8-14; Jn 15:11-17; Lk 1:46-55.

Birthday

Gal 3:26-29; 4:1-7; Eph 6:1-4; Mt 18:1-5

First Holy Communion

1Cor 11:26-29; 1Jn 6:48-58

Feast Day

2Thess 2:13-17; Mt 5:13-16

Wedding Anniversary/ Wedding Jubilee

Eph 4:1-6; 1 Cor 13:4-13; Col 3:12-21; Jn 15:11-17

Consecrated Jubilee

Eph 3:14-21; Jn 15:1-10; Jn 15:18-21

The Liturgical Year

The Liturgical Year of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church begins on **Qudos Eetho** (Sanctification of the Church) Sunday. On that day we remember the establishment and sanctification of the Church. The most important feast of the Liturgical Year is Easter. The date of this feast changes every year according to the fullmoon that comes after the day on which the sun comes on the equator in the spring season, which is called the vernal Equinox. In the Synod of Nicea it was decided to celebrate the feast of Easter on the Sunday that comes after the Passover Moon. The Seven Seasons of the Liturgical Year are the following:

1. **The Season of Annunciation (*Suboro*)**
2. **The Season of *Yaldo-Denho***
3. **The Season of the Great Fast**
4. **The Season of *Qyomtho***
5. **The Season of Pentecost**
6. **The Season of Transfiguration**
7. **The Season of *Sleebo***

Though the Feast of Christ the King and the Feast of the Sacred Heart do not belong to the tradition of the Syro Malankara Church, we celebrate them. We celebrate also the Feasts of certain Apostles and Saints on days different from those of the Latin Tradition.

The Changeable Feasts of the Year 2025

Nineveh Fast	-	10 February
Great Fast	-	2 March
Easter	-	20 April
Ascension of Our Lord	-	29 May
Pentecost	-	8 June

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D W Feasts and Scripture texts

2023 November (Teshreen Hroi)

- 1 Wed 1 Thess 4:1-8; Mt 5:1-12
Commemoration of All Saints
- 2 Thu 1 Cor 1:4-9; Mt 13:1-9
- 3 Fri Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51
Comm. of Bishop Paulose Mar Philexinos (1998)
Commemoration of the 318 Fathers of Nicea
- 4 Sat 1 Cor 4:6-15; Lk 6:37-42

I Suboro (The Season of Annunciation)

- 5 **Sun Qudos Eetho Sunday**
(Sanctification of the Church)
Beginning of the Liturgical Year
Mk 8:27-30; Ex 10:1-5; 1 Kings 6:1-8;
Eze 10:1-5, 18-22; Isa 6:1-8; 1 Pet 2:1-12;
Eph 2:14-22; Mt 16:13-23
Today Begins the S'himo Prayer-First Qolo
- 6 Mon Heb 12: 4-11; Jn 5:19-23
- 7 Tue 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mk 3:24-30
33 Martyrs of Milithin
- 8 Wed Heb 1:5-14; Mt 18:10-14
All Angels
- 9 Thu 1 Tim 6:1-2; Mt 20:1-16
St. Theodore
- 10 Fri Eph 3:14-21; Mt 7:21-28
Prophet Samuel, St. Pope Leo the Great

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
11	Sat	Heb 11:17-22; Jn 8:31-38
12	Sun	<i>Hudos Eetho Sunday</i> (Renewal of the Church) Mk 11:15-17; Ex 32:1-14; 1 Kings 8:22-30; Jer 31:10-14, 22-26; Isa 55:1-13; Rev 3:14-22; Heb 9:1-14; Jn 2:13-22 St. John of Alexandria
13	Mon	1 Cor 2:6-15; Mt 13:44-52 St. John Chrysostom Feast of Bishop Yoohanon Mar Chrysostom
14	Tue	1 Cor 4:1-5; Jn 14:7-14 St. Philip, the Apostle
15	Wed	Phil 3:12-21; Mt 4:18-22 St. Albert
16	Thu	Eph 4:1-6; Mt 9:9-13 St. Mathew, the Apostle
17	Fri	Eph 1:15-23; Mk 4:26-29
18	Sat	Gal 3:15-20; Mt 23:37-39
19	Sun	Message to Zachariah Lk 1:1-17; Gen 17:15-22; Ruth 1:11-18; 1 Sam1:9-17; Isa 41:8-17; 2 Pet 1:3-11; Rom 4:13-25; Lk 1:5-25
20	Mon	Eph 6:1-4; Mt 23:23-26
21	Tue	Entrance of Mary, Mother of God, into the Temple Phil 4:4-9; Mt 12:46-50

2023 December (*Koonon Qdeem*)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Fri	Beginning of the Twenty-Five Days <i>Nombu</i> Rom 13:8-14; Jn 1:1-5
2	Sat	1 Tim 4:6-10; Jn 7:40-53
3	Sun	Visitation of Mary, Mother of God, to Elizabeth Lk 1:39-45; Gen 24:15-27; 1 Sam 2:1-11; Prov 31:10-26; Isa 29:17-24; 1 Pet 2:6-10; 1Tim 2:4-10; Lk 1:39-56 St. Francis Xavier
4	Mon	1 Cor 9:19-23; Mk 10:25-31 St. John Damascene
5	Tue	Rom 10:5-13; Mt 5:21-26 Mar Sabas & Mar Clement of Alexandria
6	Wed	2 Tim 1:8-14; Jn 16:25-33 Mar Theophilos of Antioch
7	Thu	2 Tim 4:1-8; Mt 16:24-28 St. Ambrose
8	Fri	Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary Gal 4:1-7; Lk 1:46-56
9	Sat	Heb 1:1-4; Lk 5:12-16
10	Sun	Birth of John the Baptist Lk 1:67-80; Ex 2:1-10; 1 Sam 1:19-28; Ps 127:1-5; Isa 62:1-12; 1 Jn 4:1-6; Gal 4:21-31; Lk 1:57-66 Mar Behnan the Martyr and his Sister Sarah, 40 Martyrs

D W Feasts and Scripture texts**II The Season of *Yaldo-denho***

- 24 **Sun** **Sunday before *Yaldo***
 Mt 1:1-17; Gen 46:8-27; 1 Kings 9:3-7;
 Jer 23:5-8; Isa 11:1-9; Acts 3:20-26;
 Heb 7:14-17; Lk 2:1-5
 (Christmas is tomorrow. Remind the faithful to bring the palm leaves of Palm Sunday and frankincense, etc)
- 25 **Mon** ***Yaldo* (Christmas)**
 Holy *Qurbono* for the People
 Jn 1:6-18; Gen 21:1-8; 2 Kings 4:8-17;
 Mic 5:1-4; Isa 9:1-7; Acts 3:20-26;
 Heb 7:14-17; Mt 2:1-12
- 26 **Tue** **Exaltation of Mary, the Mother of God**
 Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:15-19
- 27 **Wed** Heb 11:32-40; Mt 2:13-18
 Comm. of the Infants killed by Herod
- 28 **Thu** Gal 5:1-6; Mt 22:41-46
 David, the King and Prophet
- 29 **Fri** Titus 2:1-10; Lk 16:19-31
- 30 **Sat** Rom 15:7-13; Mt 3:7-12
- 31 **Sun** **I Sunday after *Yaldo***
 Mt 2:19-23; Gen 21:8-14; Judg 13:24-14:4;
 Ps 122:1-9; Zech 8:3-12; 1 Pet 5:5-11;
 Heb 3:1-6; Lk 2:41-52
 (Remind the faithful about the feast of *Denho* on Saturday)



2024 January (Koonoon Hroi)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Mon	Naming of Our Lord Eph 4:17-24; Lk 2:21-24 New Year begins Mar Baselios & Mar Gregory, Feast of Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos Erection of the Eparchy of Mavelikara (2007)
2	Tue	2 Tim 2:21-26; Jn 3:1-14. Mar Macarios Eehidooyo
3	Wed	Heb 11:23-31; Mt 5:1-12 Prophet Malachi, St Chavara Kuriakose Elias
4	Thu	Eph 4:7-16; Lk 12:22-34 Erection of the Eparchy of St Mary, Queen of Peace USA-Canada (2016)
5	Fri	Heb 2:5-9; Lk 9:49-50
6	Sat	Denho (Baptism of Our Lord) Holy <i>Qurbono</i> for the People Mk 1:1-11; Gen 24:10-20; 2 Kings 3:21-27; Ezek 47:1-12; Isa 12:1-6; Acts 19:1-7; Tit 2:11-3:9; Mt 3:13-17
7	Sun	I Sunday after Denho Mk 1:14-20; Gen 30:25-43; Ex 3:1-15; Ps 147:1-11; Isa 49:7-13; Acts 2:37-47; Eph 1:3-14; Mt 4:12-22 Exaltation of St. John the Baptist Eph 3:1-7; Lk 7:24-29 St. Julian

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
8	Mon	Acts 7:54-60; 1 Cor 16:15-18; Mt 23:34-36 St. Stephen, the Martyr Feast of Bishop Philipos Mar Stephanos
9	Tue	Rom 3:27-31; Mk 7:1-13
10	Wed	2 Cor 1:3-11; Jn 3:31-36 Mar Gregory of Nyssa
11	Thu	2 Cor 4:1-6; Mt 9:35-38 Mar Theodosios the Abbot Feast of Bishop Yoohanon Mar Theodosius
12	Fri	1 Tim 2:1-7; Lk 12:4-7
13	Sat	1 Tim 6:11-16; Mt 5:17-20
14	Sun	II Sunday after <i>Denho</i> Lk 4:14-15; Lev 22:26-33; Prov 8:22-36; Mic 5:1-8; Isa 51:1-8; 1 Pet 1:13-25; Rom 3:1-8; Jn 1:43-51 40 Martyrs of Mount Sinai St. Devasahayam Rom 3:21-26; Mt 7:1-6
15	Mon	2 Cor 9:6-11; Lk 2:15-19 Commemoration of Mary, Mother of God of Seeds Erection of the Eparchy of Muvattupuzha (2003)
16	Tue	Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51 Com. of Bishop Geevarghese Mar Divannasios (2018) Imprisonment of St. Peter

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D W Feasts and Scripture texts

- 17 Tue Gal 6:14-18; Lk 6:20-26
Mar Antony of Egypt
Feast of Bishop Thomas Mar Anthonios
- 18 Thu Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51
Com. of Moran Mor Cyril Baselios Catholicos (2007)
Com. of Bishop Joseph Mar Severios (1955)
Mar Koorilos of Alexandria, Mar Athanasios
Church Unity Octave begins
- 19 Fri 2 Thes 2:13-17; Mt 5:13-16
Mar Macarios of Jerusalem
Feast of Bishop Geevarghese Mar Makarios
- 20 Sat 2 Tim 2:1-5; Mt 10:26-33
St. Sebastian
- 21 **Sun III Sunday after *Denho***
Jn 3:22-4:3; Ex 32:30-35; 2 Kings 2:13-25;
Joel 2:21-32; Isa 34:8-17; Acts 17:16-21;
1Cor 3:16-4:5; Jn 3:1-12
St. Agnes
(Nineveh fast will start tomorrow. Remind the faithful about the special prayers, 40 prostration, and abstinence)
- 22 Mon **Nineveh Fast begins (3 Days *Nombu*)**
Jon 1:1-7; Phil 2:1-11; Mt 12:38-42
Mar Timotheos
- 23 Tue Jon 3:1-10; Rom 12:9-15; Mt 24:37-44
- 24 Wed Jon 2:1-10; 1Thess 5:1-11; Lk 13:1-5
St. Francis De Sales

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
25	Thu	End of the three days <i>Nombu</i> Lk 12:54-59; Gen 18:22-33; Josh 7:6-13; Jon 4:1-11; Ps 13:1-6; Acts 9:1-9; Gal 1:13-24; Lk 11:29-32 Church Unity Octave ends Conversion of St. Paul Acts 9:1-9; Gal 1:13-24; Jn 17:20-23 Erection of the Eparchies of Pathanamthitta and Puttur (2010)
26	Fri	Rom 13:1-7; Mt 22:15-22 Indian Republic Day
27	Sat	Phil 1:12-14; Mt 23:1-4
28	Sun	<i>Kohne</i> Sunday (Comm. of the Departed Priests) Lk 19:11-27; Num 20:22-29; Josh 24:29-33; Sir 45:15-22; Isa 65:13-16; Acts 20:25-38; Heb13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51 St. Thomas Aquinas
29	Mon	Rom 12:1-8; Jn 12:20-26 St. Ignatius the Fiery Feast of Bishop Joshua Mar Ignathios
30	Tue	2 Cor 13:5-8; Mt 12:33-37 Mar Jacob Aphrates, St. Haiseenta and St. Martina
31	Wed	Eph 5:6-14; Mk 16:15-18 St. Don Bosco



2024 February (*Sboth*)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Thu	2 Tim 2:14-19; Lk 21:34-36
2	Fri	<i>Mayaltho</i> (Entrance of Our Lord into the Temple) Lk 2:22-35; Lev 12:1-8; Lev 22:17-25; 2 Sam 5:1-5; Isa 11:1-9; Acts 24:16-21; Heb 9:11-14; Lk 2:22-24
3	Sat	Eph 3:14-21; Lk 2:25-38 Mar Simon and Morth Hanna
4	Sun	<i>Aneede Sunday</i> (Comm. of the Departed Faithful) Mt 25:31-46; Gen 49:29-33; 2 Macc 12:38-45; Sir 41:1-4; Isa 38:9-22; 2 Pet 3:8-13; 1 Thes 4:13-18; Jn 5:19-29
		Catholicos Day (The collection of the day and other donations shall be sent to the eparchial curia for the catholicate fund. The Eparchial Metropolitans and Apostolic Visitators shall hand over the fixed amount to the Catholicos in the forthcoming HES. This fund shall be used for the common expenses of the Major Archiepiscopal Curia) St. John Britto
5	Mon	1 Cor 9:19-23; Jn 15:18-25
6	Tue	1 Tim 6:17-21; Lk 12:16-21
7	Wed	Rom 11:1-6; Jn 12:1-11

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
8	Thu	Rom 8:35-39; Jn 10:1-6
9	Fri	2 Cor 1:18-22; Jn 10:11-18 Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bishop Abraham Mar Julios (2008)
10	Sat	Rom 6:9-14; Lk 9:18-20 Establishment of the Throne of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Major Archiepiscopate (2005)

III The Season of the Great Fast

11	Sun	Kothine Sunday (Miracle of changing water into wine at Cana) I Sunday of the Great Fast Jn 10:22-30; Gen 9:12-17; Ex 20:7-22; Joel 2:12-20; Isa 58:6-14; Acts 11:19-26; Col 3:5-17; Jn 2:1-11 Mary of Lourde Malankara Catholic Children's League Day (An amount from each parish shall be sent to the Eparchial Curia for the activities of Malankara Catholic Children's League of the eparchy) (The special prayers of the Lent begin on Sunday Evening. Remind the faithful about Fasting and Abstinence).
12	Mon	Shubkono (Service of Reconciliation) Gen 1:1-12; Eph 4:25-32; Mt 4:1-11
13	Tue	Hag 2:18-23; Eph 5:13-21; Mt 6:1-4 Prophet Haggai

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
24	Sat	Deut 30:1-7; Rom 3:10-20; Mt 14:1-12 Finding of the Head of St. John the Baptist
25	Sun	<i>M'shario</i> Sunday (Curing the Paralytic) III Sunday of the Great Fast Lk 5:17-26; Deut 31:19-30; Sir 9:10-18; Eze 33:23-33; Isa 5:18-25; Acts 5:12-16; Rom 5:1-11; Mk 2:1-12 Rani Maria, the Blessed. 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 10:16-25
26	Mon	Gen 18:22-33; Eph 5:1-4; Lk 4:16-19
27	Tue	Prov 3:1-12; Eph 2:11-22; Mk 8:14-21
28	Wed	Lev 25:35-46; Tit 3:1-7; Lk 12:32-34 Prophet Obadiah
29	Thu	Neh 5:1-5; Col 1:24-29; Lk 9:44-45



2024 March (Odor)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Fri	Num 12:1-10; 2 Thes 3:6-15; Mk 13:1-2
2	Sat	2 Kings 4:38-44; Col 2:16-19; Mk 8:11-13
3	Sun	<i>Knanoitho Sunday</i> (Curing the Daughter of Cananite woman) IV Sunday of the Great Fast Mk 7:24-30; Ex 16:1-12; 1 Sam 7:10-17; Sir 10:6-18; Isa 56:1-7; Acts 20:22-32; Rom 7:13-25; Mt 15:21-28
4	Mon	Isa 1:10-20; Col 2:1-5; Mk 9:30-32
5	Tue	Jer 6:16-21; 1 Cor 16:13-24; Jn 10:14-16 Anniversary of the Enthronement of Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis as Major Archbishop-Catholicos (2007)
6	Wed	Middle day of the Great Fast Erection of Gogultho Mt 17:22-27; Num 21:1-9; 1Sam 7:5-9; Ps 34:1-9; Zech 12:6-14; Acts 15:22-33; 1 Cor 10:1-13; Jn 3:13-21
7	Thu	Dan 4:29-37; 2 Cor 2:1-4; Mt 20:29-34
8	Fri	Jud 3:1-6; 2 Cor 11:16-21; Mk 9:31-37
9	Sat	Lev 19:9-19; Tit 2:11-15; Mk 13:9-13 40 Martyrs of Sebasty
10	Sun	<i>K'piphtho Sunday</i> (Curing the Crippled Woman) V Sunday of the Great Fast

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
		Lk 10:25-37; Gen 9:1-7; Sir 51:1-10; Jer 51:1-9; Isa 50:1-5; 1 Pet 3:8-17; Rom 12:1-15; Lk 13:10-17
11	Mon	2 Kings 2:19-25; Rom 9:14-18; Lk 4:31-37
12	Tue	Ex 14:21-31; 1Tim 6:3-10; Mt 8:18-21
13	Wed	Neh 9:6-15; Rom 3:27-31; Jn 15:11-17 Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of Bps. Vincent Mar Paulos, Thomas Mar Anthonios, Samuel Mar Irenios & Philipos Mar Stephanos (2010)
14	Thu	Eccl 5:1-7; Col 1:9-10; Mk 6:45-52
15	Fri	Hos 6:1-6; 1 Tim 1:3-11; Mk 10:13-16
16	Sat	2 Sam 19:24-30; 1 Cor 9:13-18; Mt 14:13-21
17	Sun	Samio Sunday (Curing the Blind) VI Sunday of the Great Fast Mk 10:46-52; Deut 25:13-19; Job 42:1-9; 1 Kings 3:4-15; Jer 51:10-19; 1 Pet 4:12-19; Rom 14:10-23; Jn 9:1-41 St. Patrick (Next Friday is the Fortieth day of the Great Fast. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday. Remind the faithful to bring palm leaves and flowers)
18	Mon	Josh 21:43-45; Col 3:12-17; Mt 5:13-16 St. Cyril of Jerusalem Feast of Abp. Thomas Mar Koorilos
19	Tue	2 Kings 4:38-44; Rom 4:16-18; Mt 1:18-25 Mar Joseph

- 26 Tue Tuesday of the Holy Week
Deut 31:16-20; Heb 2:10-18; Jn 12:27-36
**Erection of the Eparchy of St. Chrysostom,
Gurgaon (2015)**
- 27 Wed Wednesday of the Holy Week
Eze 21:26-32; Heb 9:23-28; Mt 26:14-16
- 28 Thu **Maundy Thursday**
Jn 7:37-53; Ex 12:1-11; Lev 16:3-10;
Prov 1:10-19; Isa 24:16-23; Rev 19:5-16;
1Cor 11:23-34; Lk 22:14-30
- 29 Fri **Good Friday**
(The collection of Good Friday, as per the direction
of the Holy Father, is for the Holy Land. It shall be
sent to the Eparchial Curia to be sent to the Holy
Father)
- 30 Sat Holy Saturday
Amo 6:10-14; Rom 6:1-11; Mt 27:62-66

IV Season of *Qyomtho*

- 31 Sun **Easter**
Holy *Qurbono* for the People
Mt 28:1-10; Ex 40:17-23; Sir 30:21-25;
Dan 6:18-24; Isa 57:14-21; Acts 2:29-36;
1 Cor 15:1-11; Jn 20:1-10
Hevoro Week



2024 April (Neesan)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Mon	Rom 7:1-6; Mt 28:11-15
2	Tue	1 Cor 15:12-19; Jn 2:18-25
3	Wed	Heb 4:1-5; Mk 8:27-30
4	Thu	1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 13:34-35
5	Fri	Heb 11:32-40; Mt 10:26-33 All Confessors of faith
6	Sat	Heb 3:1-6; Jn 21:20-23
7	Sun	New Sunday Jn 20:19-23; Gen 41:37-45; 2 Kings 2:1-12; Wis 3:1-9; Isa 40:9-15; 1 Pet 1:3-12; 2 Tim 2:7-13; Jn 20:19-29
8	Mon	Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51 Comm. of Bishop Lawrence Mar Ephrem (1997)
9	Tue	Rom 11:11-16; Jn 5:41-47
10	Wed	1 Cor 3:1-4; Mt 22:34-40
11	Thu	Rom 8:18-25; Lk 13:18-21
12	Fri	2 Thes 2:13-17; Mt 5:13-16 Pope St. Yulios Feast of Bp. Abraham Mar Julios
13	Sat	Rom 15:14-21; Mk 8:34-38 Mar Zeraphion
14	Sun	II Sunday after Qyomtho Jn 21:15-19; Ex 15:1-8; Wis 1:12-16; Josh 6:8-14; Isa 63:1-6; Acts 13:26-41; Eph 6:18-24; Jn 21:1-14 Mar Simon Barsaboyo

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
15	Mon	Rom 12:16-21; Mk 11:20-25
16	Tue	2 Tim 2:1-6; Jn 13:12-20
17	Wed	Heb 5:11-14; Mt 15:29-31
18	Thu	Phil 1:15-20; Mk 9:38-41
19	Fri	Rom 1:1-7; Mk 8:14-17
20	Sat	Rom 8:12-17; Mk 6:53-56
21	Sun	III Sunday after Qyomtho Mk 16:9-13; Ex 40:1-15; Josh 2:1-14; Amo 4:6-13; Isa 65:1-7; Acts 4:5-22; Eph 2:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
22	Mon	Heb 10:1-4; Mt 12:15-21
23	Tue	2 Tim 2:7-13; Mt 10:16-25 St George, the Martyr
24	Wed	Heb 8:1-6; Mk 12:35-37
25	Thu	1 Cor 3:18-23; Mk 12:1-11 St. Mark, the Evangelist
26	Fri	2 Tim 3:1-5; Jn 7:40-44
27	Sat	Phil 3:1-4; Jn 15:18-25 St. Cleetus
28	Sun	IV Sunday after Qyomtho Mt 28:16-20; Ex 34:10-17; Job 42:7-17; 1 Kings 3:4-15; Isa 49:8-13; Acts 10:34-43; 2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 24:36-49 Comm. of Bishop Isaac Mar Yoohanon (1987) Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51

2024 May (*Eyor*)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Wed	2 Thess 3:6-12; Mk 6:1-6 St. Joseph the Worker Prophet Jeremiah
2	Thu	2 Cor 6:1-10; Jn 8:12-20 Mar Athanasios of Alexandria
3	Fri	1 Thess 2:1-12; Jn 8:48-51
4	Sat	2 Thes 3:1-5; Lk 11:33-36
5	Sun	V Sunday after <i>Qyomtho</i> Jn 16:12-15; Deut 16:10-12; 2 Sam 5:9-12; Prov 10:1-13; Isa 28:23-29; Acts 13:44-52; Col 3:1-11; Jn 16:16-24 (Remind the faithful about the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord on Thursday) Syro-Malankara Catholic Laity Day (The collection of the day shall be sent to the eparchial curia for the Laity Welfare Fund. The eparchies shall send half of the total amount to the Major Archiepiscopal Curia for the common activities of the Laity of the Church)
6	Mon	Phil 4:10-14; Lk 12:1-7 Job the Just, St. Dominic Savio
7	Tue	Gal 6:11-18; Mt 13:44-52 Finding of the Cross of Our Lord
8	Wed	Rom 8:35-39; Jn 21:20-24 St. John, the Apostle

D W Feasts and Scripture texts

16 Thu Phil 1:27-30; Mt 10:5-15

17 Fri Heb 2:14-18; Lk 15:8-10

18 Sat Eph 2:19-22; Jn 12:37-43

V The Season of Pentecost19 Sun **The Sunday of Pentecost**Holy *Qurbono* for the People

Jn 14:25-31; Num 11:16-35; Josh 18:1-7;

1 Sam 10:9-16; Eze 36:22-38; Acts 2:1-13;

1 Cor 12:1-11; Jn 14:15-24

20 Mon Rom 10:14-20; Mt 28:16-20

The Four Evangelists

21 Tue Tit 3:8-11; Lk 9:57-62

Queen St. Helena

22 Wed 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 22:14-20

**Comm. of the First Holy *Qurbono*
celebrated by St. James the Apostle**

St. Rita

23 Thu Eph 6:5-9; Lk 11:1-4

24 Fri Golden Friday

Acts 3:1-10; 1 Cor 13:1-6; Mt 19:23-30

25 Sat 1 Thes 2:13-16; Jn 6:67-69

St. Sophia

26 Sun **I Sunday after Pentecost**

Lk 8:4-15; Ex 12:31-42; Josh 5:9-12;

Mich 3:8-10; Jer 29:10-16; Acts 17:10-15;

Gal 5:16-26; Jn 6:25-33

Vocation Day

St. Philip Neri

2024 June (Hseeron)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Sat	1 Cor 1:18-25; Lk 12:1-7 St. Justin
2	Sun	II Sunday after Pentecost Lk 6:12-23; Lev 19:1-8; 2 Sam 5:1-10; Bar 1:2-8; Dan 6:25-28; Acts 2:14-21; Rom 8:1-11; Mt 10:38-42
3	Mon	Gal 3:7-14; Lk 11:24-26
4	Tue	Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51 Comm. of Bishop Geevarghese Mar Timotheos (2019)
5	Wed	2 Tim 3:10-17; Mk 12:35-37 St. Boniface
6	Thu	1 Tim 2:8-15; Jn 14:25-27
7	Fri	1 Thes 1:6-10; Jn 14:28-31 Feast of Sacred Heart (Latin)
8	Sat	Gal 2:19-21; Mt 25:31-40 Saint Mariam Thresia
9	Sun	III Sunday after Pentecost Mk 6:4-13; Gen 42:18-25; Judg 1:8-11; Dan 3:1-18; Jer 3:1-5; Acts 13:26-41; Gal 6:10-15; Jn 6:35-46
10	Mon	Phil 2:25-30; Mk 7:31-37
11	Tue	1 Thes 3:6-13; Lk 11:49-54 Mar Barthulmai the Apostle & Mar Barnabas Erection of the Syro-Malankara Catholic

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
23	Sun	V Sunday after Pentecost Mk 9:30-37; Ex 23:14-19; Zech 6:1-8; Hos 14:6-10; Isa 40:27-31; Acts 9:10-19; 2 Cor 6:14-18; Lk 9:10-17 Seminary Day (The collection of the day and other donations shall be sent to the Eparchial Curia for the Seminary Fund. The Eparchies shall send half of the total amount to the Major Archiepiscopal Curia. This amount shall be used for the common expenses of the Malankara Major Seminary)
24	Mon	Birth of John, the Baptist Heb 12:14-17; Lk 1:57-66 Comm. of Cheppattu Philipose Ramban Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51
25	Tue	Heb 11:1-7; Jn 7:14-24
26	Wed	Phil 4:15-20; Jn 8:42-47
27	Thu	Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51 Comm. of Bishop Jacob Mar Theophilos (1956)
28	Fri	2 Thes 2:13-17; Mt 5:13-16 St. Irenios Feast of Bp. Samuel Mar Irenios
29	Sat	Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul 13 Days' Nombu (Apostles) ends Holy <i>Qurbono</i> for the People Mt 16:13-20; Gen 12:1-8; Prov 13:1-9; Dan 1:1-9; Isa 43:1-7; Acts 12:6-19; 2 Tim 4:6-10; Jn 21:15-19

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D W Feasts and Scripture texts

**Establishment of St. Mary's Malankara
Major Seminary (1989)**

**Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination
of Bps. Yoochanon Mar Chrysostom &
Joshua Mar Ignathios (1998)**

Feast of Bp. Vincent Mar Paulos

30 **Sun VI Sunday after Pentecost**

Lk 17:1-10; Ex 30:34-38; 2 Sam 3:17-21;
Ps 20:1-9; Isa 14:22-27; Acts 17:22-34;
1 Cor 12:12-26; Lk 15:1-7

12 Apostles



2024 July (*Thomoos*)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Mon	Heb 5:1-4; Lk 1:5-10 Aaron, the Chief Priest
2	Tue	2 Cor 6:1-10; Mk 3:13-19
3	Wed	Dukrono, St. Thomas Day Holy <i>Qurbano</i> for the People Jn 14:1-6; Gen 12:1-9; Prov 4:10-18; Job 23:1-7; Isa 52:1-15; 1 Pet 2:15-17; 1 Cor 4:15-21; Jn 20:19-29 Feast of Bp. Joseph Mar Thomas
4	Thu	1 Cor 7:25-35; Mk 9:14-29
5	Fri	2 Cor 10:3-11; Lk 10:1-12 72 Disciples
6	Sat	Heb 13:7-16; Mt 24:45-51 Commemoration of Pulikkottil Joseph Ramban St. Maria Goretti
7	Sun	VII Sunday after Pentecost Mt 12:30-37; Lev 16:29-34, 1 Sam 4:18-22; Hos 5:1-5; Isa 57:14-21; Acts 4:23-31; Eph 2:11-22; Mk 3:20-30 Family Day
8	Mon	Phile 1:17-22; Mt 16:5-12
9	Tue	Rom 11:30-36; Mk 11:12-14
10	Wed	Rom 11:11-16; Lk 9:37-43
11	Thu	2 Cor 11:7-15; Mt 4:18-22 St. Benedict
12	Fri	1 Cor 16:1-4; Mk 4:13-20

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
22	Mon	2 Cor 5:17-21; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 St. Mary Magdalene
23	Tue	Col 1:12-14; Mt 24:3-14 Prophet Ezekiel
24	Wed	2 Cor 3:12-18; Lk 9:57-62 St. Sharbel of Lebanon
25	Thu	2 Cor 7:10-16; Lk 13:31-35
26	Fri	2 Cor 7:5-9; Lk 13:6-9
27	Sat	Heb 12:25-29; Mk 2:18-22
28	Sun	X Sunday after Pentecost Lk 9:12-17; Ex 15:23-27; Job 42:7-17; Ps 112:1-10; Isa 57:14-21; Acts 28:23-30; Rom 10:5-13; Mt 18:1-14 Morth Alphonsa Gal 2:19-21; Jn 12:24-26 (Remind the faithful that the Fifteen Days <i>Nombu</i> begins on August 1 st in preparation for the Assumption of Mary, Mother of God)
29	Mon	Heb 13:1-6; Lk 10:38-42 Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus of Bethany
30	Tue	1 Thes 5:1-6; Lk 4:42-44
31	Wed	1 Cor 10:31-11:1; Lk 14:25-33 St. Ignatius of Loyola



2024 August (Ob)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Thu	Rom 6:1-5; Mt 10:26-33 15-Days Nombu (Shunoyo) begins Morth Shmoonni & her 7 Sons & Eliaser St. Alphonse Ligori
2	Fri	1 Cor 14:20-25; Jn 13:31-35
3	Sat	Heb 5:1-10; Mk 4:21-25
4	Sun	XI Sunday after Pentecost Mt 18:15-20; Lev 19:13-18; Josh 23:7-14; Mal 4:1-6; Sir 7:29-36; Jas 2:14-26; 1 Cor 14:26-33; Mk 6:7-13 The Syro-Malankara Catholic Sunday School Day (The collection of the day and the 'cover collection' shall be sent to the Eparchial curia for the faith formation of the children in the eparchy) St. John Maria Vianney, Patron of Priest
5	Mon	1 Tim 4:11-16; Mt 4:12-17 Erection of the Eparchy of Parasala (2017)
VI The Season of Transfiguration		
6	Tue	Transfiguration of Our Lord Mt 17:1-8; Ex 19:24-20:6; Deut 16:13-17; Ps 24:1-10; Isa 60:8-14; 2 Pet 1:16-21; Rom 11:25-36; Lk 9:28-36
7	Wed	Rom 9:30-33; Mt 14:34-36
8	Thu	Heb 6:9-12; Mt 7:7-12 St. Dominic

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
9	Fri	1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 12:15-21 Mar Mathias, the Apostle
10	Sat	Heb 8:7-13; Jn 12:44-50 St. Lawrence
11	Sun	I Sunday after Transfiguration Mk 4:21-34; Deut 25:13-16; 1 Sam 2:31-36; 1 Kings 18:36-46; Eze 7:1-4; Jas 4:7-10; Phil 4:8-20; Mt 21:28-32 Prophet Micha, St. Clare of Assisi
12	Mon	Heb 3:7-11; Jn 8:12-20 St. Susanna
13	Tue	Phil 3:8-11; Mt 19:27-29 St. Hippolitus of Rome, St. John Berchmans
14	Wed	Heb 2:1-4; Jn 15:18-21 St. Maxmillian Colbe
15	Thu	Feast of <i>Shunoyo</i> (Assumption of Mary, the Mother of God) 15-Days <i>Nombu (Shunoyo)</i> ends Holy <i>Qurbono</i> for the People Mt 12:46-50; Gen 3:14-18; Josh 4:1-14; Ps 45:9-17; Isa 45:9-19; Acts 7:44-53; Heb 9:1-12; Jn 19:25-27 Anniversary of the Episcopal Consecration of Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos (2001) Independance Day of India
16	Fri	2 Cor 1:8-11; Mk 7:14-16
17	Sat	Rom 5:15-21; Lk 7:1-10

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
28	Wed	Rom 8:26-30; Jn 15:1-10 St. Augustine
29	Thu	Beheading of St. John the Baptist Rom 8:18-25; Mk 6:21-29 Morth Euphrasia
30	Fri	2 Cor 10:12-18; Jn 19:38-42 Joseph & Nicodemus of Arimathea
31	Sat	1 Cor 3:10-15; Lk 4:16-30



2024 September (Eelool)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Sun	IV Sunday after Transfiguration Mt 20:20-28; Deut 18:1-8; 2 Chr 19:8-11; Ps 119:1-8; Eze 47:1-12; 1 Pet 4:1-11; Phil 2:1-11; Mk 10:35-45 8 Days Nombu begins Gal 4:1-7; Jn 2:1-11 Prophet Joshua
2	Mon	Heb 4:14-16; Lk 1:26-38 Mar Simon Destuni
3	Tue	1 Thes 4:1-8; Mt 12:46-50
4	Wed	Heb 7:26-28; Lk 1:39-45
5	Thu	Heb 5:11-14; Lk 2:15-20 St. Mother Theresa of Kolkata
6	Fri	Heb 9:1-11; Lk 1:46-56
7	Sat	Heb 9:12-15; Lk 2:41-52
8	Sun	V Sunday after Transfiguration Lk 18:1-8; Deut 9:25-29; 1Sam 12:16-25; Prov 16:1-9; Isa 40:1-11; Jas 1:2-8; Heb 13:5-6; Lk 18:18-30 Nativity of Mary, Mother of God 8 Days Nombu ends Mk 3:31-35; Gen 3:8-15; Song 4:1-9; Ps 45:9-15; Isa 7:1-15; Rev 12:1-12; Rom 6:1-11; Jn 19:25-27
9	Mon	Heb 11:8-16; Lk 8:19-21 Mar Joachim & Martha Anna

D W Feasts and Scripture texts

- 10 Tue 2 Cor 7:2-4; Lk 14:1-6
 11 Wed Heb 11:3-7; Mt 22:34-40
 12 Thu Rom 15:22-33; Mk 11:20-26
 13 Fri Col 4:1-6; Mk 8:22-26

VII The Season of Sleebo

- 14 Sat **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**
 Mt 24:29-36; Gen 48:13-20; Num 21:4-9.
 1 Sam 17:37-51; Isa 65:1-7; Acts 13:26-39;
 Gal 3:1-14; Lk 21:5-11, 25-28
- 15 **Sun I Sunday after *Sleebo***
 Lk 17:20-35; Gen 42:1-8; Hos 5:1-7;
 Dan 4:1-9; Isa 57:14-21; Acts 3:21-26;
 1Cor 2:10-15; Mk 13:28-37
 The Mother of Sorrows
 2 Cor 11:16-22; Lk 2:25-35
- 16 Mon Phil 1:3-11; Jn 17:6-8
 St. Cyprian of Carthage
- 17 Tue Rom 15:1-6; Jn 7:25-31
- 18 Wed Eph 6:10-17; Mt 16:21-23
- 19 Thu 1 Cor 1:10-17; Mt 24:3-8
 St. Januarius
- 20 Fri **The Syro-Malankara Re-union Day (1930)**
 Jn 17:6-16; Gen 15:1-21; Ex 34:10-28;
 Hab 3:17-19; Isa 41:1-7; 1 Jn 3:11-18;
 Eph 4:1-6; Jn 17:16-23
- 21 Sat Col 4:7-9; Jn 10:11-16

2024 October (*Teshreen Kteem*)

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
1	Tue	1 Cor 13:7-13; Mt 18:1-5 St. Therese of Child Jesus
2	Wed	Heb1:5-14; Mt 18:10-14 Guardian Angels
3	Thu	2 Tim 3:14-17; Lk 6:39-42 Mar Divannasios of Areopagos
4	Fri	Gal 6:14-17; Mt 11:25-30 St. Francis of Assisi, Mar Dumatheos
5	Sat	Col 1:3-6; Lk 6:46-49 St. Faustina
6	Sun	IV Sunday after <i>Sleebo</i> Mk 10:1-16; Num 29:35-40; 1 Kings 8:22-30; Ps 42:1-11; Isa 54:5-8; Jas 2:18-26; Col 1:21-26; Lk 16:13-18 The Syro-Malankara Catholic Youth Day (The collection of the day shall be sent to the Eparchial Curia for the Youth Welfare Fund. The eparchies shall send half of the total amount to the Major Archiepiscopal Curia for the common activities of the Youth of the Church)
7	Mon	Col 1:15-20; Lk 1:46-55 Feast of the Holy Rosary Mar Sargis & Bachos
8	Tue	Gal 5:16-21; Lk 9:51-56
9	Wed	Rom 4:1-8; Jn 8:39-47 Patriarch Abraham

D	W	Feasts and Scripture texts
		Mt 28:16-20; Gen 42:29-38; Sir 35:1-13; Prov 27:1-9; Isa 6:8-13; Acts 22:17-21; Rom 10:14-20; Mk 16:14-18 (The collection and the 'cover collection' of the day shall be sent to the Eparchial Curia for the missionary activities of the universal Church. The epharies shall send this amount to the Holy See)
21	Mon	Gal 3:21-25; Mt 5:17-20
22	Tue	Phile 1: 8-16; Mt 9: 35-38 Mar Hilarion St. John Paul II
23	Wed	Gal 1:11-17; Mt 13:53-58 St. James, the Apostle, the son of Alphaeus
24	Thu	1 Tim 5:1-2; Lk 12:35-40
25	Fri	2 Cor 8:16-24; Mk 12:32-34
26	Sat	2 Cor 7:5-13; Mk 12:38-40
27	Sun	VII Sunday After Sleebo <i>(Last Sunday of Liturgical Year)</i> Lk 12:13-21; Ex 12:43-51; Job 23:1-7; Ezek 10:18-22; Isa 52:7-15; 1Pet 2:13-17; 1 Cor 6:9-11; Mt 25:31-46
28	Mon	2 Cor 9:1-5; Mk 13:32-37 Erection of the Eparchy of Bathery (1978)
29	Tue	2 Cor 8: 8-15; Lk 8:22-25
30	Wed	2 Cor 13:1-4; Lk 8:1-3
31	Thu	1Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:14-30



The Sacred Lectionary _____

Commemoration of Bishops

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| 16 January | - Bishop Geevarghese Mar Divannasios |
| 18 January | - Moran Mor Cyril Baselios Catholicos |
| | - Archbishop Joseph Mar Severios |
| 22 February | - Bishop Thomas Mar Dioscorus |
| 8 April | - Bishop Lawrence Mar Ephrem |
| 28 April | - Bishop Isaac Mar Yoochanon |
| 4 June | - Bishop Geevarghese Mar Timotheos |
| 27 June | - Bishop Jacob Mar Theophilos |
| 15 July | - Servant of God Archbp. Mar Ivanios |
| 26 August | - Bishop Jacob Mar Barnabas |
| 28 September | - Bishop Zacharias Mar Athanasios |
| 10 October | - Metropolitan Archbp. Benedict Mar Gregorios |
| 3 November | - Bishop Paulose Mar Philexinos |

Memorable Days

Social Communication Media Day	19 November 2023
Bible Sunday	31 December 2023
Catholicos Day	4 February 2024
MCCL Day	11 February "
Social Welfare Day	24 March "
Good Friday	29 March "
Laity Day	5 May "
Vocation Day	26 May "
Seminary Day	23 June
Family Day	7 July "
Sunday School Day	4 August "
Social Justice Day	18 August
MCMF Day	25 August "
Youth Day	6 October "
Mission Sunday	20 October "



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