Parish Bulletin

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Weekly Schedule

SUNDAY

10:00am Holy Mass in Malayalam 11:40pm Holy Mass in English 05:30pm Holy Mass in Malayalam

MONDAY -FRIDAY

07:00pm Holy Mass in Malayalam

TUESDAY

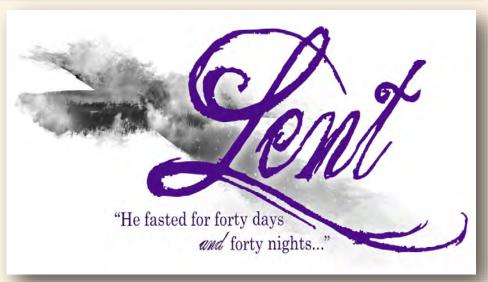
After Mass Novena to St. Anthony

THURSDAY

After Mass Novena to St. Jude

SATURDAY

10:00am Holy Mass in Malayalam followed by Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

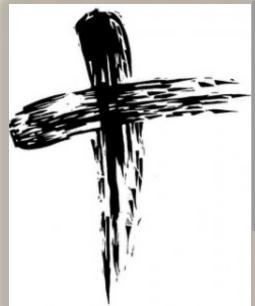


Ash Monday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar. Ash Monday opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer. Ash Monday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." Ashes also symbolize grief, in this case, grief that we have sinned and caused division from God.

Priests administer ashes during Mass and all are invited to accept the ashes as a visible symbol of penance. Even non-Christians and the excommunicated are welcome to receive the ashes. The ashes are made from blessed palm branches, taken from the previous year's palm Sunday Mass. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.

It is important to remember that Ash Monday is a day of penitential prayer and fasting. Some faithful take the rest of the day off work and remain home. It is generally inappropriate to dine out, to shop, or to go about in public after receiving the ashes. Feasting is highly inappropriate. Small children, the elderly and sick are exempt from this observance. It is not required that a person wear the ashes for the rest of the day, and they may be washed off after Mass. However, many people keep the ashes as a reminder until the evening.

First Sunday of Lent			
Feb 07	READING	10:00 AM	11:40 AM
1st Reading	Isiah 58: 1-10	Surya Karikulam	Reshma Kannarathil
2nd Reading	Ephesians 4: 17-24	Josmy Edukutharayil	Hansel Madathil
Gospel	Mathew 4: 1-11	Jesus overcomes temptation through fasting.	



OFFERINGS

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Feb 07 General Body

Feb 08 Ash Monday, Holy Mass at 10:00AM and 7:00PM

Feb 12 Night Vigil

Mar 3 - 6 Lenten Retreat @ St. Mary's Knanaya Church

Mar 4 - 6 Pre-marriage course @ St. Mary's Knanaya Church

Pilgrimage to Holy Land
June 12 to 22, 2016: (10 days)
Jordan, Israel, Palestine and Dubai

(Amman - Mount Nebo/ MOUNT TABOR/ SAIL ON THE SEA OF GALILEE/ NAZARETH / CA-NA / HAIFA / MOUNT CARMEL / JOPPA / JERUSALEM/ Mount of Olives/ Gethsemane / Bethlehem, Via Dolorosa / Church of Holy Sepulcher / Jericho/ Dead Sea/ Mt. Zion / Upper Room / Wailing Wall / Ein Karem/ Desert Safari in Dubai/ Dubai City Tour/ Free time for shopping in Dubai/ Visit Burj Khaleefa- the tallest building in world/ Dhow Cruise with Dinner)

Total Cost: \$ 2690.00 per Person

Europe Pilgrimage

October 23rd to November 5th, 2016 (14 days) Fatima, Lourdes, Assisi, Turin, Rome and Medjugorie

(Fatima AVILA – FATIMA, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA, Lourdes, –AVIGNON – NICE, TURIN – MILAN, FLORENCE – PISA –CITY TOUR ROME – VATICAN MUSEUM, PAPAL AUDIENCE - ASSISI SARAJEVO – ISTANBUL and Medjugorie etc...)

Total Cost: \$ 2890.00 per Person

Registration is open for all including our youth

Please contact parish office with a copy of your passport and \$ 500 advance check payable to 'FAITH HOLIDAYS'



Date & Time: March 3-Thrusday 5:30 PM to 9:30 PM (EVENING SESSION)

March 4-Friday 2:00 PM to 9:00 PM March 5-Saturday 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM March 6-Sunday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

Retreat for Youth(13-20 yrs) & Kids(6-12 yrs)

March 5-Saturday 9:30 AM to 8:00 PM March 6-Sunday 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM

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