



**WEEKDAY MASSES**

Monday - Thursday  
9.00am  
(Morning Prayer 8:45)  
Friday - 7.30pm  
(Rosary 7.00pm)  
1st Friday - 7.30pm  
(Adoration - 7.00pm  
Rosary - 6.30pm)

**WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday - 9.00am  
(Morning Prayer 8:45)  
Sunday - 9.45am

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# It's Christmas time...

In the obscure town of Bethlehem in the desolate province of Judea in the great empire of Rome, a baby was born in about 4 B.C.

The night when Jesus was born, some shepherds were looking after their sheep on the hills when suddenly an angel appeared. The shepherds were terrified, but the angel said, "I bring good news. God's Savior has been born tonight. You will find the baby lying in a manger".

Christmas is a time when we are once again assured that "God is with us". The Bible tells us that the Lord himself will give you a sign. The virgin will conceive and give birth to a Son, and you will call him Immanuel – God is with us" (Isaiah 7:14). Yes, God is with us in our daily lives. He is with us in our pains, troubles and afflictions. He is with us in our joys, happiness and good times. He is with us in your lives, families, in our Society and in our Country.

Christ still comes into this world. Christmas still happens. It didn't just happen once, it happens all the time.

Christmas may be about the story that we read. It may be about Mary and Joseph, and the baby and the manger, and no room at the inn. But that story teaches us about more than just an event that happened centuries ago. It teaches us about opening ourselves up to what God is trying to do in us in this world. And it's about telling God that, even if we don't know what it means yet, there is room for God in our lives, and we want to be part of what God is doing.

We wish you a Christmas full of God's Blessings and pray that the Divine Child may accompany you with His power and might throughout the New Year 2020

**Sajiachan**

<b>Christmas MASS</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup></b> 9.30pm	<b>New Year MASS</b>	<b>31<sup>st</sup></b> 9.00pm
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**CONFESSION: 23rd DECEMBER 9.00am-12.00noon & 4.00pm - 8.00pm**



# Congratulations

Congratulations to all the children who celebrated their First Holy Communion on 16th November 2019



## PARISH COUNCIL 23rd Nov

### Discussion and decisions

- Ward Representatives to review their ward members list based on boundaries.
- Sneha Virunnu prepared for All Souls Day, was a big success with positive feedbacks from Parish members – It was suggested to do the same for Thirunal.
- Food Stall – Agreed to run food box sales, once every Month. The Food Committee was elected. The committee is made up of Jiji Joseph (Convener), Lijy Jose and Babychen. The first Food Stall will run on 26th of January, 2020.

## POTHUYOGAM

Podhu Yogam was held on 24th of November after the Holy Mass. Building Committee presented the progress and the assessment cost. The details provided was approved by the Podhu Yogam.

Following that presentation, various funding options to raise money for the Building Project was discussed. The below options was approved by Podhu Yogam.

- Food box sales, once each month. Starting on 26th of January, 2020.
- Kurrie – To be run by the Committee members nominated by Building Committee (Joemon Edakkara, Johny Thuliseril) and Podhu-Yogam elected (Shibu Thayyil, Shibu Chacko).

## BUILDING COMMITTEE

By the Grace of God, all the required assessments were completed without any major issues. The Development Application for Planning was submitted on the 15th of November, 2019. This is a major milestone in the entire process. A Pothu Yogam was held on the 24th of November after the Holy Mass to update the progress of the church building project, which was chaired by Fr. Saji Valiyaveetil.

Building Committee convener Jiji Joseph and secretary Saji Varghese presented the progress and the assessment cost. The details provided were approved by the Podhu Yogam.

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## MATHRUJYOTHIS

The decision has been made that the flowers for the Church altar will be organised each month by the family units under the leadership of their Mathrujyothis representative. Flowers for the month of December will be organised by St Alphonsa Ward, Taigum. If you are interested in providing flowers for the church, please get in contact with the Mathrujyothis representative. Mathrujyothis is also organising a Christmas tree.

A seminar is being organised for all mothers by Mathrujyothis, on the 9th of May 2020. The seminar will begin with the Holy Mass in the morning and conclude by lunchtime. Lunch will also be provided for all mothers who attend the seminar.



Bishop with the coordinators and representatives of all the wards, associations, ministries and administrative bodies

## CATECHISM

**Annual Day:** Sunday School Annual Day was celebrated on November 3rd with Holy Mass at 9am followed by public meeting and fellowship meal at Craigslea school.

**Holiday** Sunday School is closed for holidays and will reopen on Jan. 26th.

**Workshop** Sunday School teachers workshop will be held on Jan. 25th.



## SMYM

SMYM Election: On October 27th Sunday SMYM general body meeting was held, which was chaired by Fr Saji Valiyaveetil. New executives were selected with the approval from all the attending members.

Co-ordinator- **Tomin George**, Assistant Co-ordinator - **Sneha Soy**  
Secretary - **Littisha Varghese**, Joint-secretary - **Amrutha Joseph**  
Treasurer - **Steve George**, Intercession Coordinator - **Joan Jomon**  
Media Co-ordinator - **Juan Joseph**

Congratulations to all newly elected leaders.

**Prayer Night:** From January 2020, Prayer Night will continue on second Wednesdays at 7pm.

**Christmas Carol:** All youth are encouraged to participate in the Carol, which will happen on the 20th, 21st and 22nd of December.



## OFFERINGS WILL BE APPRECIATED

HOST AND WINE, CANDLES \$100.00 for one month

DECEMBER offerings by: A WELL-WISHER

Thank you

CAROLS	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
	20/12/ - Friday St Antonys St Paul	20/12 - Friday St Thomas	19/12 - Friday Holy Spirit
	21/12 - Saturday St Benedict	21/12 - Saturday St Mary's	
	22/12 - Sunday St Joseph St Alphonsa	22/12 - Sunday Mother Theresa Mary MacKillop	

## SACC

New SACC Team was formed consisting of members:

- Anthony Mathew (Raju) – President
- George P Varkey (Babychen) – Secretary
- Aji Edayar John – Treasurer
- Shajan Varghese – Executive Member
- Bino Thomas – Executive Member
- Biju Manchappilly – Executive Member
- Saji Manavalan. Varghese – Executive Member

## OFFERINGS

October 27/10/19 \$872

November

03/11/19. \$824 10/11/19 \$596.85

17/11/19 \$553 24/11/19 \$438

Building Fund Direct Debit

October \$:8802.00

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