



OLPH VOICE

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP SYRO MALABAR CATHOLIC MISSION OF GREATER WASHINGTON



Beloved OLPH family members,

We commemorate the feast of **St. Francis de Sales** on **January 24th**. Francis' father wanted him to become a lawyer and then, a senator in France. He was sent to Padua to study law, but after receiving his doctorate, he told his parents he wished to become a priest, much to his father's disappointment. At 35, he became the Bishop of Geneva, and was the author of many books, including, "Introduction to the Devout Life", and "A Treatise on the Love of God".

His writings were filled with his characteristic gentle spirit, and are addressed to lay people. However, St. Francis de Sales confessed that he had a quick temper, and it took him 20 years to overcome this weakness. He took seriously the words of Christ, "Learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart." His perennial meekness and sunny disposition won him the title "Gentleman Saint."

Although Don Bosco founded the Salesian order, the name "Salesian" is derived from St. Francis de Sales, and the order was originally called the Pious society of St. Francis de Sales. The following are a few quotes from "Salesian spirituality" that we can reflect upon:

- Let your passion be disciplined.
- Let your discipline be passionate.
- Keep things in perspective.
- Develop a sense of humor, one which does not offend others.

With love,
Royachan

Rev. Fr. Roy Moolachalil
OLPH Mission Director



FEAST OF SAINT SEBASTIAN

**NOVENA TO SAINT SEBASTIAN WILL BEGIN
ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2021**

Novena prayers will be said after Holy Mass for the next nine days.

**FEAST OF SAINT SEBASTIAN WILL BE CELEBRATED
ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 24, 2021**

after Holy Mass at Mother of God Community Gym
20501 Goshen Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.

Holy Mass & Services

FOR LIVE STREAMING OF DAILY MASS CLICK HERE

SUNDAY MASS is also open to the public at

Mother of God Community Gym

20501 Goshen Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.



DAY	TIME	WORSHIP SERVICE	READINGS
SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2021	9:30 AM	Adoration & Rosary	Reading 1: Rom 10:10-20 Faith and proclamation Gospel: Mk 1:21-28 Teaching with authority.
	10:00 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	
	10:45 AM	St Sebastian Novena	
SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 2021	9:30 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	Reading 1: Num 11:11-20 Moses bears the sufferings of his people Reading 2: Is 45:18-46:4 Turn to God and be saved Reading 3: Heb 4:1-10 (3:14-4:10) Let us enter Lord's rest through obedience Gospel: Jn 1:29-34 (1:29-42) The Lamb of God
	10:30 AM	St Sebastian Novena	
MONDAY - FRIDAY	6:30 PM	Adoration & Rosary	Click here to see readings
	7:00 PM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	
	7:45 PM	St Sebastian Novena	

Weekday Mass Readings

DATE	DAILY MASS READINGS
MONDAY, JANUARY 18, 2021	Reading 1: 1 Jn 5:1-5 Conquer the world Gospel: Lk 12:4-12 Give witness without fear
TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021	Reading 1: Rom 15:14 -21 Minister of God for the gentiles. Gospel: Jn 17: 6 -11 Let them be one.
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20, 2021 Feast of St. Sebastian	Reading 1: 2 Tim 2:1-5 The Lord's disciple should suffer. Gospel: Mt 10:24-33 Bear witness without fear.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2021	Reading 1: 1 Cor 9:24-27 Run in such a way that you may win. Gospel: Mk 10:17-22 Jesus and the rich man.
FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021	Reading 1: 1 Cor 4:9-16 I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. Gospel: Mt 10:1-15 (9:35-10:15) Jesus sends out the Apostles

Weekly Schedule

DATE	ROSARY LEADERS	DAILY BIBLE READINGS
Sunday, January 17, 2021	No Rosary	Galatians 4-6
Monday, January 18, 2021	Biju & Rani Family	Ephesians 1-3
Tuesday, January 19, 2021	Boby & Sany Family	Ephesians 4-6
Wednesday, January 20, 2021	Jeril & Jemi Family	Philippians 1-4
Thursday, January 21, 2021	Jithu & Shellin Family	Colossians 1-4
Friday, January 22, 2021	Jenson & Linta Family	1 Thessalonians 1-5
Saturday, January 23, 2021	Tessie & Family	2 Thessalonians 1-3

January 18 - 22

Schedule of prayer & fasting for success of the Church construction

Day	Family
Monday	Dr. Tom & Mary
Tuesday	Prakash & Pearly
Wednesday	Rex & Mini
Thursday	Jithu & Shellin
Friday	Deepu & Deepa

Click here to sign up for the day of Fasting & Prayer

The following are suggestions for each family on their the day of prayer and fasting for the success of our Church construction:

- Participate in Holy Mass (or Online Mass)
- Fast at least one full meal if possible
- Pray the Rosary (if possible full Rosary - Glorious, Joyful, Sorrowful and Luminous)
- 1 Divine Mercy chaplet
- Pray the "Apostles' Creed" 33 times
- Pray the "Flying Novena" (Memorare) 9 times
- Confession whenever possible



CHURCH CONSTRUCTION UPDATES



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Puzzles

Contributed by:
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Text your answers to WhatsApp
group "Syro Chat" or e-mail to
newsletter.olph@gmail.com

1. Jason works every third day at a department store as a part-time sales clerk. Alicia also works there, but only on Saturdays. The store stays open seven days a week. This week, Jason worked on Monday, October 1. On what date will the two be working together?"
2. A boy is looking at a photo: "Brothers and sisters have I none, but this man's son is my father's son." Who is the person in the photo?
3. A married woman who has only one child looks at a photo of a man and thinks, "This man's son is my sister's nephew." What relation does the woman have to the man in the photo?
4. I am a number between 1 and 5. First, add me to the next number above me. Next, multiply the result by me and add me again. Finally, add the digits in the result, and you will get a number that is twice me. What number am I?

Obituary



Sabu Mayilkunnel

Sabu M.O. (55 years old), brother of Fr. Sanil Mayilkunnel SJ, passed away on January 11, 2021 at Wayanadu, Kerala.

*Heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family
Let us keep the departed soul in our prayers*

*In
Loving
Memory*

*4th Death Anniversary
January 16, 2021*



Saju Raphael Alapatt

1973 - 2017

GET TO KNOW AN OLPH FAMILY

Jacob and Maggie are from Thrissur, Kerala. Jacob received his Ph. D. from Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, and is currently working at the National Eye Institute. Maggie received her M.B.B.S from Calicut Medical College, and is currently working at the National Institute on Aging. They moved to the US in 1992 from Bangalore. They lived in Seattle and Connecticut before moving to Maryland in 2008.

They have two daughters, Anu and Anju. Anu is an Orthodontist, married to Nimit, an Orthopedic Surgeon, and they live in Connecticut. They have a one-year old son, Callen.

Anju is doing her residency in Oromaxillofacial Surgery at SUNY Health System, NY.

Favorite Bible verse or phrase

- ★ "If God is for us, who can be against us". Romans 8:31
- ★ "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see". Hebrews 11:1

Jacob & Maggie Arakkal Nellisery

--- ☆ Anu
--- ☆ Anju



Favorite family vacation spot:

- ★ Visiting new places and experiencing new culture

Favorite family activity:

- ★ Spending time together, watching movies and traveling together

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