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



#### From the Pastor's Desk

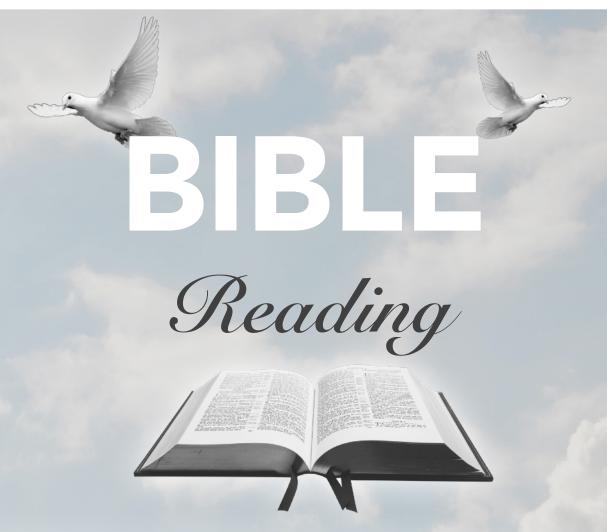


On February 2<sup>nd</sup>, we celebrate the feast of the The Presentation of the Lord in the Temple. This feast is also known as the Purification of Mary, marking the fortieth day after Christmas. The Lord Jesus Christ, forty days after His birth, in keeping with Jewish customs, was presented in the temple in Jerusalem by His parents, Mary and Joseph. But, this day is shadowed by the foretelling of the suffering that is necessary for the victory of Light over darkness. Simeon, not only proclaimed that he had seen his salvation, but also told Mary that her share would include a pierced heart. In Redemptoris Mater, Pope John Paul II wrote, "for they tell her of the actual historical situation in which the Son is to accomplish his mission, namely, in misunderstanding and sorrow. While this announcement on the one hand confirms her faith in the accomplishment of the divine promises of salvation, on the other hand it also reveals to her that she will have to live her obedience of faith in suffering, at the side of the suffering Savior, and that her motherhood will be mysterious and sorrowful." Let us pray for the humility and wisdom of Mary and Joseph, so that all parents will take seriously, the duties of bringing up their children in faith, and faith will be handed to the children first in the family and in the home.

On January 31st, we celebrate the feast of Saint John (Don) Bosco, the founder of the Salesian order.

With love, Royachan Rev. Fr. Roy Moolachalil OLPH Mission Director

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On January 1, 2020, the OLPH community set out on a journey to read the entire Bible on a daily basis.

As we end that journey, we will gather together to read the final FOUR chapters of the Book of Revelation.

When: Sunday February 28, 2021 at 10:30 am

Where: Mother of God Community Gym (20501 Goshen Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20879)

If you have participated, please give your names to: Rashmi Roy or Teena (Mini) Thomas

## 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 30, 2021	9:30 AM	Adoration & Rosary	Reading 1: 1 Jn 5:13-21 Those who are born of God do not sin Gospel: Jn 8:39-47 One who is from God listens to the Word of God.	
	10:00 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam		
	10:45 AM	OLPH Novena		
Sunday, January 31, 2021	9:30 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	Reading 1: Deut 18:13-18 You must be blameless before the Lord Reading 2: Is 48:12-20 There is no peace, for the wicked	
	1:00 PM	Holy Mass in English (online only)	Reading 3: Heb 6:9-15 Eternal priest according to the order of Melchizedek Gospel: Jn 3:14 - 21 You are to be born again in water and spirit.	
Monday - Friday	6:30 PM	Adoration & Rosary	Click here to see readings	
	7:00 PM	Holy Mass in Malayalam		

# Weekday Mass Readings

DATE	DAILY MASS READINGS	
Monday, February 1, 2021	Reading 1: Gal 3:21-25 Law and faith. Gospel: Jn 5:41-47 Real faith is based on God's love	
Tuesday, February 2, 2021	Reading 1: Rom 9:30-10:4 Christ, the fulfillment of law. Gospel: Lk 2:22-38 Presentation of our Lord in the temple.	
Wednesday, February 3, 2021	Reading 1: Col 2:6-10 Fullness of life in Christ. Gospel: Mt 12:15b-21 Jesus, the elected servant.	
Thursday, February 4, 2021	Reading 1: Eph 6:10-17 Fight against the evil. Gospel: Mk 9:33-37 First one, servant of all.	
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2021	Reading 1: Heb 13:7-9,17-19 Obey your leaders those who watch over your souls Gospel: Mt 16:24-28 Take up your cross and follow me	

# Weekly Schedule

DATE	ROSARY LEADERS	DAILY BIBLE READINGS
Sunday, January 31, 2021	No Rosary	1 Peter 1-5
Monday, February 1, 2021	Binoy & Liz Family	2 Peter 1-3
Tuesday, February 2, 2021	Sajit & Ponnu Family	1 John 1-5
Wednesday, February 3, 2021	Deepu & Deepa Family	2 John 1, 3 John 1, Jude 1
Thursday, February 4, 2021	Sandeep & Pinkle Family	Revelation 1-5
Friday, February 5, 2021	Sajeev & Pushpa Family	Revelation 6-11
Saturday, February 6, 2021	Roby & Selin Family	Revelation 12-18

### February 1 - 5

Schedule of prayer & fasting for success of the Church construction

Day	Family	
Monday	Viju and Reena	
Tuesday	Roy and Rashmi	
Wednesday	Thomas and Suneetha	
<b>Thursday</b> Jijo and Saly		
Friday	Deepu and Deepa	



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

### SPONSOR AN ITEM

#### **To-be Committed items**

Consider sponsorship by a Ward or multiple families.

Option to pay in installments is available.

Description	Yes/No	Amount (\$)
Sound System (Out of \$30K)		\$25,000
Chapel Lights		20,000
Chapel Tiles		20,000
Site Light Poles (11 x \$1,500)		16,500
Altar Tiles		15,000
Vestibule Tiles		10,000
Chairs - Gym: 300		8,000
Sacristy Cabinets		5,000
Kitchen Counter Top		5,000
Kitchen Cabinets		5,000
Refrigerator		4,000
Vicar's Office Furniture		4,000
CCD Office Furniture		3,000
Roopakkoodu (2 x \$1,500)		3,000
Warming Oven		2,000
Statue of St. Antony		1,000
Statue of St. Jude		1,000
Stove		1,000
Total		148,500

#### **Committed items**

Description	Yes	Amount (\$)
Altar Design & Build-Out	<b>~</b>	\$75,000
Pews: (20 x \$1,500) With Naming Right	<b>-</b>	30,000
Grotto of Our Lady	<b>V</b>	25,000
Gym Tiles	<b>V</b>	15,000
Tabernacle	<b>V</b>	10,000
Altar Table		10,000
Altar Cross	<b>V</b>	5,000
Arulika	<b>V</b>	5,000
Confessional	<b>V</b>	5,000
Sign Board	<b>V</b>	5,000
Altar Chairs	<b>V</b>	5,000
Gym Equipment	<b>V</b>	5,000
Sacristy Counter Top	<b>V</b>	5,000
Sound System (Out of \$30K)	<b>V</b>	5,000
Baptismal Stand	<b>V</b>	4,000
Bema	<b>V</b>	4,000
Flag Pole - Outside	<b>V</b>	4,000
Ceremonial Umbrellas: 24		3,000
Bethgaza (2 x \$1,500)	<b>V</b>	3,000
Parish Office Furniture	•	3,000
Lecterns: 2	<b>V</b>	2,500
Golden Procession (Outside) Cross	<b>V</b>	2,000
Mass Procession Cross	<b>V</b>	2,000
Roof Top Cross	<b>V</b>	2,000
Tables - Gym: 30	<b>V</b>	2,000
Altar Cloths	<b>V</b>	1,500
Vestments: 5 Sets		1,500
Silver Procession Cross	<b>V</b>	1,500
Crucifix for Sacristy & Good Friday	<b>V</b>	1,500
Chalice: 2 Sets	<b>V</b>	1,000
Statue of St. Thomas		1,000
Statue of St. Joseph		1,000
Statue of St. Mary	<b>V</b>	1,000
Statue of St. George	•	1,000
Nilavilaku		1,000
Candle Stands: 2		1,000
Sanctuary Lamp (Eternal Flame)		1,000
Altar Servers' Dress	<b>~</b>	1,000
Microwave Oven	~	500
Altar Book Stand	<b>~</b>	500
Incense Burner (Thurible)		200
Total		252,700





#### GET TO KNOW AN OLPH FAMILY

Reji is from Kidangoor, Kottayam, and lived there until he graduated College. He then earned a Masters degree in Computer Applications from Jodhpur University, Rajasthan, and worked in New Delhi, before moving to the US in 1997. He currently works for the U.S. Department of Treasury as an IT Consultant. Liji is from Changanasserry, Kottayam and lived there until she graduated College. She then earned her Masters in Computer Applications from Loyola College, Vijayawada. After their wedding, she moved to the US in early 2000. She currently works as the Lead Information Specialist for the Human Resource Department in Montgomery County Government. Their daughter, Isabelle (Maloo) is in High School.

Something you love about the OLPH community:

We always feel "At Home" within OLPH.A small closely knit community where we love to live, laugh and pray.

Favorite Bible verse or phrase:

- Anyone who says 'I love God' and hates his brother, is a liar, since whoever does not love the brother whom he can see cannot love God whom he has not seen. (I John 4:20)
- For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope (Jeremiah 29:11)

Favorite family vacation spot:

Cayman Islands and Orlando. But even the Black Hill Park in our backyard becomes a favorite vacation spot with OLPH friends.

Favorite family activity:

Movie nights, playing with Lola-our cat, visiting neighborhood friend's home (yes, you guessed it right, OLPH friends!)

# Reji & Liji Karivelil

-☆Isabelle Marie (Maloo)



Reji, Liji and family are active OLPH Church members, and have been a part of the Church since it was formed in early 2000's. Reji is currently a member of the Knights of Columbus, and a building Committee member. Liji is currently a member of the OLPH Choir and Marian Sangham. In the past, she has been a Ward representative, Entertainment committee member, Parish Secretary and CCD teacher.





Tessie Alapatt Boby Augustine

Manoj Mathew Justin Jose

Thomas Abraham Dignamartha Kakkanattu

Binoy Mathews Venassa Jijo

Rashmi Roy Riya Roy

Biju Issac Rona Roy



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