

Beloved OLPH family members,

The book of Exodus tells us that when the Israelites sojourned in Egypt for 40 years, God wanted to dwell in their midst on their journey through the wilderness. Therefore, he commanded that a tabernacle be built where the Ark of the Covenant with the Seat of Mercy can be housed. And something that strikes out when we read along is how were they able to build such a beautiful tabernacle in the wilderness without any steady income or bank loans? This is where we clearly see the providence of God and the willingness of the people to build a House of Worship. In Chapter 35, we read that God commanded the people to bring their gold ornaments to build the Tabernacle and the Ark of the Covenant. "The Lord has commanded: Take from among you an offering to the Lord; let whoever is of a generous heart bring the Lord 's offering: gold, silver, and bronze;" (Exodus 35: 4-5).

And the people willingly obeyed God's command: "So they came, both men and women; all who were of a willing heart brought brooches and earrings and signet rings and pendants, all sorts of gold objects, everyone bringing an offering of gold to the Lord." (Exodus 35:22). In fact, they had so much of gold, silver and other materials that Moses had to finally command them to stop bringing more because they had more than enough to build God's House (Exodus: 36:6-7).

As I mentioned last Sunday, let us also, with a willing heart bring whatever Gold we can afford to donate to build our Lord's house (please see page 2 for more details). It is indeed a meaningful gesture, as we see that the journey of the Israelites is mirrored in our own journey in this land, and God wants to dwell close to us during this journey.

With love, Royachan **Rev. Fr. Roy Moolachalil OLPH Mission Director** With willing hearts let us bring any gold that we can afford as a freewill offering to the Lord.

Offering of

Gold Jewelry

The offered gold will be used to purchase <u>Chapel líghts</u> to adorn our new OLPH Church.



page 2



OLPH Syro Malabar Catholic Mission of Greater Washington

SPONSOR AN ITEM

To-be Committed items

Consider sponsorship by Ward, multiple families or individuals. Option to pay in installments is available.

Description	Yes/No	Amount (\$)
CHAPEL LIGHTS (Out of \$20,000)		18,000
Bath Floor Tiles		15,000
Gym VCT Tiles		15,000
Portable Stage		15,000
Bath Wall Tiles		10,000
Chairs - Gym: 300		8,000
SOUND SYSTEM (Out of \$15,000)		5,750
Kitchen Counter Top		5,000
Kitchen Cabinets		5,000
Kitchen Floor Tiles		5,000
Refrigerator		4,000
Vicar's Office Furniture		4,000
Site Light Poles WITH NAMING RIGHT (2 x \$1,500)		3,000
CCD Office Furniture		3,000
Warming Oven		2,000
Stove		1,000
Total		118,750

Committed items

Description	Yes	Amount (\$)
Altar Design & Build-Out		75,000
Pews: (20 x \$1,500) With Naming Right	\checkmark	30,000
Grotto of Our Lady		25,000
Chapel and Vestibule VCT Tiles		15,000
Site Light Poles WITH NAMING RIGHT (9 x \$1,500)		I 3,500
Tabernacle		10,000
Altar Table		10,000
Sound System (Out of \$15K)		9,250
Altar Cross		5,000
Arulika		5,000
Confessional		5,000
Sign Board		5,000
Altar Chairs		5,000
Gym Equipment		5,000
Sacristy Counter Top		5,000
Flag Pole - Outside		5,000
Sacristy Cabinets		5,000
Baptismal Stand		4,000
Bema		4,000
Ceremonial Umbrellas: 24	V	3,000
Bethgaza (2 × \$1,500)	V	3,000
Parish Office Furniture	J	3,000
Roopakoodu (2 X \$1500)	1	3,000
Lecterns: 2	J	2,500
Chapel Lights (out of \$20,000)	J	2,000
Golden Procession (Outside) Cross	J	2,000
Mass Procession Cross	J	2,000
Roof Top Cross	Ĭ	2,000
Tables - Gym: 30	J	2,000
Altar Cloths	J	1,500
Vestments: 5 Sets		1,500
Silver Procession Cross	J	1,500
Crucifix for Sacristy & Good Friday	J	1,500
Chalice: 2 Sets		1,000
Statue of St. Thomas		at at 1,000
Statue of St. Joseph		1,000
		1,000
Statue of St. Mary		
Statue of St. George		1,000
Statue of St. Antony		1,000
Statue of St. Jude Nilavilaku		1,000
		1,000
Candle Stands: 2		1,000
Sanctuary Lamp (Eternal Flame)		1,000
Altar Servers' Dress		I,000
Microwave Oven		500
Altar Book Stand		500
Incense Burner (Thurible)		200
Total		283,450

KOC & Entertainment Committee invites the OLPH Family to

MOTHER'S DAY Dinner under the Stars

May 8 Saturday 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

Location: Church Site 20533 Zion Road Gaithersburg, MD 20882

** Bring your own chairs ** RSVP to your Ward rep by May 5

Holy Mass & Services

FOR LIVE STREAMING OF DAILY MASS CLICK HERE SUNDAY'S MASS is also open to the public at Mother of God Community Gym 20501 Goshen Rd, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.

DAY	Тіме	WORSHIP Service	READINGS
	9:30 AM	Adoration & Rosary	Reading 1: Col 3:14-17 Do everything in the
Saturday, May 1, 2021	10:00 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	name of the Lord Gospel: Mt 13:53-58 Jesus, son of a
	10:45 AM	OLPH Novena	carpenter.
Sunday, May 2, 2021	9:30 AM	Holy Mass in Malayalam	Reading 1: Is 49:7-13 God's mercy and compassion Reading 2: Acts 9:1-9 Saul encounters the Risen Lord Reading 3: Heb 10:19-25 Approach God with true heart Gospel: Jn 21:1-14 The Lord who cares
Monday - Friday	6:30 PM 7:00 PM	Adoration & Rosary Holy Mass in Malayalam	Click here to see readings



OLPH Syro Malabar Catholic Mission of Greater Washington

Weekday Mass Readings

DATE	DAILY MASS READINGS
Monday, May 3, 2021	Reading 1: 1 Cor 9:16-23 To preach the good news is the duty of a Christian. Gospel: Jn 14:1-6 Jesus the way, the truth and life
TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021	Reading 1: Jas 1:22-27 Hearing and doing the word. Gospel: Mt 21:18-22 Jesus curses the fig tree
Wednesday, May 5, 2021	Reading 1: Col 3:5-11 Put on the new man Gospel: Jn 3:1-8 Reborn through water and spirit
Thursday, May 6, 2021	Reading 1: 1 Jn 2:14-17 Word of God abides in you. Gospel: Mk 10:13-16 Kingdom of heaven belongs to children.
Friday, May 7, 2021	Reading 1: 1 Cor 2:1-5 Message about the crucified. Gospel: Mt 15:10-20 Internal and external holiness





Deepu and Deepa Family

Daily Rosary Leaders



Tuesday, May 4, 2021

Manoj and Mariat Family





Thursday, May 6, 2021

Binoy and Liz Family



Sajeev and Pushpa Family



Roby and Selin Family

May 1st

Feast of St. Joseph the Worker



Joseph, by the work of your hands and the sweat of your brow, you supported Jesus and Mary, and had the Son of God as your fellow worker.

Teach me to work as you did, with patience and perseverance, for God and for those whom God has given me to support.

Teach me to see in my fellow workers the Christ who desires to be in them, that I may always be charitable and forbearing towards all. Grant me to look upon work with the eyes of faith, so that I shall recognize in it my share in God's own creative activity and in Christ's work of our redemption, and so take pride in it.

When it is pleasant and productive, remind me to give thanks to God for it. And when it is burdensome, teach me to offer it to God, in reparation for my sins and the sins of the world.

May 3 - 8

Prayer & fasting for success of the Church construction

Day	Family
Monday	Sajeev & Pushpa
Tuesday	Justin & Asha
Wednesday	Roy & Rashmi
Thursday	Jijo & Saly
Friday	Thomas Antony & Gitty



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





Rosamma DeCastro

1951-2021

With profound sorrow we inform you of the demise of Rosamma DeCastro, beloved sister of Briget Thomas and Joseph Kurian.

She is survived by her son, Manoj Mathew, daughter-in-law, Dimple, and grandchildren, Sophia and Ashton

Our heartfelt condolences and prayers for the grieving family.

Viewing: Monday, May 3, 2021; 12:00 to 2:00 PM Robert A. Pumphrey Funeral Homes 300 W Montgomery Ave Rockville, MD 20850

Funeral Service: Tuesday, May 4, 2021; 10:00 AM St. Mary's Catholic Church 520 Veirs Mill Rd, Rockville, MD 20852 Interment: Tuesday, May 4, 2021 11:30 AM Gate of Heaven Cemetery 13801 Georgia Ave, Silver Spring, MD 20906 CHURCH CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

9.0

PARE

page 11

CAUTIO

IDADO

CHURCH CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

OLPH Syro Malabar Mission of Greater Washington

page 12

Editorial Board

Rev. Fr. Roy Moolachalil Tessie Alapatt Manoj Mathew Thomas Abraham Binoy Mathews Rashmi Roy Biju Issac Shellin Jose Boby Augustine Justin Jose Dignamartha Kakkanattu Venassa Jijo Riya Roy Rona Roy

Click on the links below:

- ●<u>E-mail us</u>.
- Join the OLPH Voice mailing list.
- See past issues of OLPH Voice newsletter.
- Introduce your family in "Get to know an OLPH family".

Mailing Address:

Rev. Fr. Roy Moolachalil 2900 Olney Sandy Spring Road Olney, MD 20832

Church Building Address (under construction):

20533 Zion Road Gaithersburg, MD 20882