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PREFACE

1. This Calendar is prepared in accordance with the decision of the Synod of the Syro-Malabar Bishops held in November 6 – 18, 1995.

2. The readings of the Sundays and other important days are given in the Calendar as per the direction of the Supplementum Mysteriorum and Ordo published by Rome in 1959 –’60. The long readings have been reduced, while the complete version of them are given in the brackets. Readings of ordinary days are selected as per the need required.

3. The division of the Liturgical Year of the Syro-Malabar Church is followed according to the Lectionary System of the East Syrian tradition. The liturgical calendar is divided into nine seasons. The spirit of each season is given in the introduction.

4. The Liturgical year is centered on the divine mysteries of salvation. These salvific events are: the birth of Jesus (Annunciation and Christmas), baptism (Epiphany), passion and death (Great Lent), resurrection and ascension (Resurrection), pentecost (Apostles and Summer), transfiguration and exaltation of the cross (Elia-Cross-Moses), and finally, the second coming of Jesus and the glorification of the Church (Dedication of the Church).

5. The feasts are divided into three categories according to their importance in the Syro-Malabar Church. The readings have been arranged accordingly.

   a. In the first category, we have the feasts of Our Lord and Blessed Virgin Mary who are directly connected with the mystery of salvation and certain other important feasts of the Church (e.g. Christmas, Easter, Immaculate Conception of Bl. V. Mary, Dukrana (the feast of St. Thomas). On these festal days, the readings of the particular feasts are given first.
b. In the second category, the popular feasts of the saints commonly commemorated in our church are given (e.g. St. Antony of Padua, St. Sebastian, St. Francis Assisi, etc). On these days, the readings of the feasts are given after the readings of the day.

c. In the case of the third category of feasts also (e.g. St. Dominic Savio, St. Pius X) the same system of the second category of feasts is followed. Special readings are not given for a few feasts like that of Simon Barsaba and other martyrs, 70 disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ, etc. In Appendix-I the names and commemoration day of certain other saints are given. If necessary, the readings may be selected from Appendix-II.

6. The feasts on the Fridays of the period of Epiphany is given in accordance with the order of the temporal calendar. But they are given also on the fixed dates of celebration of the feasts as per the order of the sanctoral calendar of the Latin Church (e.g. feast of All Saints, St. Stephen). The second Sunday in the season of Annunciation can be celebrated as the Feast of Annunciation.

7. If the feast of Denha occurs on Sunday, then it will be considered as the first Sunday of Denha. When the feast of Denha comes on Sunday to Thursday, then these days would be counted as the first week of Denha. However, if it happens to be on Friday, the readings of the following Saturday would be the same of the first Saturday of Denha and the following Sunday as its First Sunday.

8. The commemoration of all the departed can be celebrated either on the last Friday of the Period of Epiphany or on 2nd November.

9. The fasting and the penitential service for the preparation of the Great Lent are celebrated on the first Monday of Great Lent. If necessary, it can be celebrated on another day of Great Lent with the permission of the local ordinary.

10. It is highly desirable to practise abstinence during the period of Great Lent but also that of Annunciation, Three Days’ Lent, Eight Days’ Lent and Fifteen Days’ Lent.

11. Four readings are given for Sundays and other important feasts.
12. On the day of penitential service marking the beginning of Great Lent and on Passion Friday, fasting and abstinence are to be observed.

13. It is desirable to fast on every Friday of the season of Great Lent.

14. All Fridays throughout the year are days of abstinence except the Fridays between Christmas and the feast of Epiphany, and the first Friday after Easter.

15. The important feasts of Christmas (Dec. 25), Epiphany (Jan. 6), Peter and Paul (June 29), the Ascension of Our Lord (the sixth Thursday after Easter), St. Thomas (July 3), Assumption of Bl. V. Mary (August 15) are the days of obligation. In those places where these days are not holidays, all those who can are requested to participate in the Holy Qurbana and other liturgical ceremonies.
Seasons of Annunciation – Nativity

The liturgical year of the Syro-Malabar Church begins with the period of Annunciation. The four weeks in preparation to the feast of the Nativity of Jesus, celebrated on 25th December constitute this season. Since we practise abstinence from 1st to 25th December in preparation for Christmas, we call this period “25 days Lent”.

The salvific acts which found fulfilment in Jesus Christ begin with the birth of Jesus. This season is called ‘subbara’ in Syriac language. The meaning of this term is ‘declaration, ‘announcement’ etc. What angel Gabriel announced to holy Mary was the greatest glad news to humanity that eagerly waited for the Saviour. Thus, this season is developed in the context of the mystery of incarnation completed in the fullness of time. The Church recalls during these days the announcement of the birth of John the Baptist, the predecessor of Jesus, and also the joyful event of the birth of John the Baptist. As a preparation for the celebration of the mystery of incarnation, this season also recalls creation, disobedience of our first parents and its consequences, the miserable state of the broken humanity, the promise of salvation offered by God, God’s covenant with humanity, and the prophecies about the Saviour. During this season we also meditate on the role of Mary in the history of the plan of salvation.

The readings, prayers and hymns of the season remind us that like the people in the Old Testament who became aware of their miserable condition and their hope for the Saviour, the people of the New Testament also should become aware of their helplessness and sinful situation and walk towards Jesus and give place in their hearts for Jesus to be born. The season of Nativity commemorates the important themes like the birth of Jesus, the visit of Magi, the escape into Egypt, presentation of Jesus in the temple and the infancy of Jesus.
# December 2020
**Season of Annunciation – Nativity**

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8 Tue  **Feast of Immaculate Conception of Our Lady**
Is 7:10-16 Virgin will give birth to a child.
Heb 1:1-3+2:16-18 God’s son.
Lk 1:46-55 (Mt 1:1-17+Lk 1:46-55) The Magnificat.

9 Wed  **Death anniversary of Mar Louis Pazheparampil (1919)**
Eph 1:3-12 God chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world.
Lk 1:34-38 Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

10 Thu  Rom12:9-18 Let your love be genuine.
Lk 1:39-45 Mary visits Elizabeth.

11 Fri  2 Cor 8:11-15 Be ready to help others.
Lk 1:46-56 Magnificat.

12 Sat  Heb 3:12-19 Do not go away from God.
Lk 11:33-36 The light of the body.

13 Sun  **Third Sunday of Annunciation**
Gen 18:1-10 (18:1-19) A son is promised to Abraham.
Lk 1:57-66 (1:57-80) Birth of John the Baptist.

14 Mon  1 Cor 5:1-8 Leave the immorality.
Lk 6:43-45 Be a tree which produces good fruits.
**St. John of the Cross**
1 Cor 2:1-10 Hidden and mysterious wisdom.
Lk 14:25-33 Discipleship demands sacrifice.

15 Tue  Eph 2:1-10 Salvation is the gift of God.
Mt 3:1-6 Kingdom of heaven has come near.

16 Wed  1 Thess 2:13-17 Fidelity to the word of God.
Lk 16:10-13 Be faithful to God.

17 Thu  Gal 3:26-29 Those who have put on Christ.
Lk 1:67-79 Canticle of Zachariah.

18 Fri  **The Miraculous Cross at Mylapore**
Ex 17:4-6 Stream from the rock.
Eph 2:14-22 Peace is through the Cross.
Jn 14:1-6 Jesus the way, the truth and the life.
19 Sat  *Death anniversary of Mar John Menacherry (1919)*  
Gal 1:11-17 Those who are called by God's grace.  
Jn 3:31-36 Who is from above is above all persons.

20 Sun  *Fourth Sunday of Annunciation*  
Gen 24:50-67 Isaac receives Rebekah.  
1 Sam 1:1-18 (1:1-28) Samuel's birth and dedication.  
Eph 5:5-21 Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.  
Mt 1:18-24 God’s intervention in birth of Jesus.

21 Mon  *The establishment of Syro-Malabar Hierarchy (1923)*  
Eph 6:18-20 Pray continuously.  
Jn 1:1-5 The Word was in the beginning.

22 Tue  Gal 4:1-7 You are adopted children of God.  
Jn 1:6-13 Jesus the true light was coming into the world.

Jn 1:43-51 Nathanael meets Jesus.

24 Thu  Rom 9:6-16 Word of God that never fails.  
Mt 5:17-20 Christ, the fulfilment of covenant.

25 Fri  *Christmas – The Nativity of our Lord*  
*Day of Obligation.*  
Is 7:10-16+9:1-3,6-7 The young woman shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.  
Mic 4:1-3,5:2-5,8-9 From you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel.  
Gal 3:15-4:6 In the fullness of time God sent his Son.  
Lk 2:1-20 The Birth of Jesus Christ.

26 Sat  1 Jn 2:26-29 Dwell in Him.  
Jn 1:19-29 One whom you do not know is among you.

**St. Stephen**  
*Patron’s day of Mar Stephen Chirappanath*  
Acts 6:8-10+7:54-59 The martyrdom of St. Stephen.  
Mt 10:16-22 Whoever holds out to the end will be saved.

**St. John, the Apostle (27 Sunday)**  
Ex 33:12-23 (33:9-23) God is with the people.  
Sir 15:1-6 The God’s servant will receive the rewards.  
Rom 8:35-39 Who can separate us from the love of Christ?  
Jn 21:20-24 The disciple whom Jesus loved.
27 Sun  **First Sunday of Nativity**
*Patron’s day of Mar John Vadakkel and Mar John Nellikunnel.*
1 Sam 1:21-28 (1:19-28) Samuel is given to the Lord.
Gal 4:21-5:1 Christ has set us free.

**Feast of Holy Family**
Gen 1:26-28 He created them male and female.
Sir 3:1-9 The duties of the parents.
Col 3:18-21 The family life in Christ.
Mt 2:13-14,19-23 The flight to Egypt.

28 Mon  **Holy Childhood Day (The Infants’ Day)**
Gen 4:3-8 Cain murders Abel.
Jer 31:15-17 A voice of lamentation and weeping from Ramah.
Mt 2:13-18 The massacre of the infants.

29 Tue  2 Cor 1:18-22 We are instituted in Christ.
Jn 13:31b-35 Mutual love in the sign of Christ’s disciple.

30 Wed  Col 3:12-17 Let the Words of Jesus abide in you.
Mt 2:1-12 Visit of Magi.

31 Thu  Heb 5:11-14 Warning against falling away.
Mt 12:43-45 The return of the unclean spirit.

**End of the Year**
1 Tim 6:6-12 We do not have lasting cities here.
Lk 13:6-9 Let us bear fruit.
January 2021
Seasons of Nativity and Epiphany

1 Fri  
First Friday  
Holy Name of Jesus (Circumcision)  
Phil 2:5-11 (Gal 5:1-6+ Phil 2:5-11) The name of Jesus is greater than every other name.  
Mt 1:18-25+Lk 2:21 He was named Jesus.  
The Divine Motherhood of Mary  
Lk 1:39-45 (Lk1:26-55+Mt1:1-16,18-25) Blessed are you among women.  
New Year Day  
Eph 4:17-24 Be new creation.  
Mt 6:25-34 Trust in God.  

2 Sat  
1 Cor 2:11-15 Spiritual man.  
Lk 12:35-40 Watchful slaves.  
St. Kuriakose Elias (3 Sunday)  
Gen 12:1-4 God calls Abraham.  
Is 44:1-4 I will bestow my grace upon your children.  
1 Pet 4:12-19 Live according to God’s will.  
Mt 5:1-12 True happiness of the followers of Christ.  

Season of Epiphany  
The word Epiphany in Syriac is known as ‘Denha’. It means ‘dawn’ ‘revelation’ ‘manifestation’ etc. In this season, the Church recalls the manifestation of Jesus which began with his baptism at Jordan. Jesus reveals Himself to the world; Father and the Holy Spirit witness to it: ‘This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased’ (Mt.3:7). The mystery of the Holy Trinity is revealed at His baptism.  
The Feast of Denha which is celebrated on 6th January is called ‘Pindikuthiperunnal’ by faithful who live in the northern part of Kerala.
and ‘Rakkuli’ by people of the south. ‘Pindikuthiperunnal’ originated from the practice of going around the ‘vazhapindi’ decorated with lights and singing ‘God is light’ commemorating Jesus the light of the world. The name ‘Rakkuli’ came from the ritual bath that our forefathers used to have in the river or pool near by, on the eve of the feast. It was a religious ceremony.

The saints who witnessed the revealed mystery of Christ through their lives are remembered by the Church on the fridays of this season. The most important themes commemorated during these days are the baptism of Jesus, His public life, His divine and human nature, His intimate relation with the Father and the Holy Spirit and his self-emptying love. In this season the Scriptural proclamations (readings) chosen are mainly connected with the public life of Jesus. This period reminds us of the baptism of Jesus and our own baptism and the responsibilities we have undertaken with it. Hence, let us strive hard to know Him more intensely and to live like the children of God during this season.

3 Sun  **First Sunday of Epiphany**
Ex 3:1-12 Moses is entrusted with the task of delivering Israel.
Is 44:28-45:4 (44:21-45:4) Cyrus is made the liberator of Israel.
Lk 4:16-22a (4:14-30) Jesus is the liberator.

4 Mon  Acts 14:8-15  Turn away from worthless things.
Jn 14:1-6 Jesus, the way life and truth.

5 Tue  Tit 3:8-11  Be vigilant in doing good deeds.
Lk 13:23-30 The way to salvation is narrow.

6 Wed  **The Feast of Epiphany**
*Syro-Malabar Mission Week begins.*

*Important feast day and a day of obligation. It is proper to use the Order of Third Quddasha (Anaphora of Mar Nestorius) in the Holy Qurbana.*

*Episcopal Ordination of Mar Mathew Moolakkatt (1999).*
Mt 3:13-17 (3:1-17) Baptism of Jesus.
7 Thu 1 Cor 2:6-10 Wisdom of God.  
Lk 7:11-17 The rise of a great prophet among us.

8 Fri  *Death anniversary of Mar Alexander Choolaparambil (1951)*  
**St. John the Baptist**  
*It is proper to use the Order of Third Quddasha (Anaphora of Mar Nestorius) in the Holy Qurbana.*  
Mk 6:14-29 Martydom of St. John the Baptist.

9 Sat Rom 9:30-33 Righteousness through faith.  
Jn 10:31-39 Son does the will of the Father.

10 Sun ✽ **Second Sunday of Epiphany**  
*Death anniversary of Mar Augustine Kandathil (1956)*  
**Special Collection for Mission Week.**  
Num 10:29-36 (10:29-11:10) Moses leads the people of Israel.  
Is 45:11-17 Israel is saved by the Lord with everlasting salvation.  
Heb 3:1-6 (3:1-4:7) Jesus is greater than Moses.  
Jn 1:14-18 (1:1-28) Grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

11 Mon 1 Cor 11:17-22 Abuses at the Lord’s Supper.  
Jn 17:20-26 They may become completely one.

12 Tue **Syro-Malabar Mission Week ends.**  
1 Cor 12:12-18 One body with many members.  
Jn 15:1-10 Abide in my love.

13 Wed Eph 2:11-19 One in Christ.  
Jn 21:15-19 Feed my sheep.

14 Thu 1 Pet 5:5-9 Entrust all the anxieties to God.  
Mk 4:35-41 Jesus has power over the wind and the sea.

15 Fri **Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles**  
2 Kgs 4:32-37 (4:8-37) The child is brought to life by Elisha.  
16 Sat  Rom 10:10-20 Faith and proclamation.
Mk 1:21-28 Teaching with authority.

17 Sun  🆕 Third Sunday of Epiphany
Num 11:11-20 Moses bears the sufferings of his people.
Is 45:18-46:4 Turn to God and be saved.
Heb 4:1-10 (3:14-4:10) Let us enter Lord's rest through obedience.

18 Mon  1 Jn 5:1-5 Conquer the world
Lk 12:4-12 Give witness without fear.
Unity Octave begins
Eph 4:1-6 Exhortation for unity.
Jn 17:6-11 Let they may be one.

19 Tue  Rom 15:14 - 21 Minister of God for the gentiles
Jn 17:6-11 Let they may become one.

20 Wed  2 Cor 6:4-10 Faithful servant of Jesus.
Jn 12:27-33 Father glorify your name
St. Sebastian
Patron’s day of  Mar Sebastian Vadakkel, Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath, Mar Sebastian Vaniyapurackal and Mar Sebastian Pozholiparambil.
Deut 32:37-43 There is no God besides me.
Is 49:1-4 My property is God
2 Tim 2:1-5 The Lord’s disciple should suffer.
Mt 10:24-33 Bear witness without fear.

21 Thu  1 Cor 9:24-27 Run in such a way that you may win.
Mk 10:17-22 Jesus and the rich man.

22 Fri  Evangelists
1 Kgs 18:30-39 Elijah who reveals the True God.
1 Cor 4:9-16 (1 Cor 4:9-16+2 Cor 1:8-14) I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel.
23 Sat  Phil 1:27-30  fight for faith.  
Mt 15:21-28 faith of Canaanite woman.  
**St. Francis de Sales (24 Sunday)**  
Eph 3:8-13 Paul preached Christ to the Gentiles.  
Jn 15:9-17 Remain in my love.  

24 Sun  **Fourth Sunday of Epiphany**  
Num 11:23-35 He reveals Israel’s redemption.  
Is 46:5-13 I am God, and there is none like me.  

25 Mon  **Three Days Lent**  
Is 64:1-9 (63:17-64:12) Remember not our iniquity for ever.  
Hab 3:13-19a (3:1-19) God, the Lord, is my strength.  
1 Tim 2:1-7 (2:1-3:10) Pray for all.  
Mt 18:23-35 Forgive your brother from your heart.  
**Unity Octave ends**  
**The Conversion of St. Paul**  
Ex 3:1-14 God calls Moses.  
1 Cor 15:1-10 Jesus appears to one who is untimely born.  
Mt 20:1-16 The workers in the vineyard.  

26 Tue  **The Republic Day**  
*Death anniversary of Mar Mathew Makil (1914).*  
**Three Days Lent**  
1 Sam 7:3-9 Return to the Lord with all your heart.  
Rom 12:1-8 (12:1-21) Be transformed by the renewal of your mind.  
Lk 18:9-14 (18:2-14) Pray with repentence.  
**Sts. Timothy and Titus**  
2 Sam 22:2-4 Lord is my redeemer.  
Wis 7:28-8:3 God loves the wise.  
1 Tim 6:11-16 Fight for faith.  
Mt 16:24-27 Disciple of Christ should suffer.
27 Wed **Three Days Lent**

*It is proper to use the Order of Third Qudasha (Anaphora of Mar Nestorius) in the Holy Qurbana.*

Joel 2:15-19 (2:15-27) Return to God with your whole heart.

28 Thu 2 Cor 5:11-14 Love of Christ inspires us.
Jn 1:35-42 Vocation of first disciples.

**St. Thomas Aquinas**

1 Kgs 3:5-12 A wise and discerning mind is given to Solomon.
Wis 7:7-14 Those who pray will get wisdom.
1 Cor 1:18-25 Folly of the Cross.
Mt 5:13-16 You are the salt of the earth.

29 Fri **Major Archiepiscopal status to Syro-Malabar Church.**

*Mar Antony Padiyara, the first Major Archbishop (1992)*

**St. Stephen**

1 Kgs 21:1-21 Naboth is stoned to death.
2 Cor 4:8-18 (3:18-4:18) Carrying in the body the death of Jesus.

30 Sat 1 Jn 5:13-21 Those who are born of God do not sin.
Jn 8:39-47 One who is from God listens to the Word of God.

**World Day of Peace**

Eph 2:14-22 Jesus is our peace.
Jn 14:27-31 The peace given by Jesus.

**St. John Bosco (31 Sunday)**

*Patron’s day of Mar Bosco Puthur*

Phil 4:4-9 Do whatever you have heard from me.
Mt 18:1-5 Welcome children in my name.

31 Sun **Fifth Sunday of Epiphany**

Deut 18:13-18 (18:9-22) You must be blameless before the Lord.
Is 48:12-20 There is no peace, for the wicked.
Heb 6:9-15 (6:9-7:3) Eternal priest according to the order of Melchizedek.
Jn 3:14 - 21 (3:1-21) You are to be born again in water and spirit.
February 2021
Seasons of Epiphany and Lent

1 Mon  Gal 3:21-25 Law and faith.
      Jn 5:41-47 Real faith is based on God’s love.

2 Tue  *Episcopal ordination of Mar George Alencherry (1997)*
      1 Jn 3:18-24 Love each other.
      Mk 3:7-12 Jesus heals many.
      **The Presentation of our Lord in the Temple**
      (Purification of Our Lady)
      Lev 12:1-8 Purification of mothers.
      Is 42:1-7 Servant of God.
      Rom 9:30-10:4 Christ, the fulfillment of law.
      Lk 2:22-38 Presentation of our Lord in the temple.

3 Wed  Col 2:6-10 Fullness of life in Christ.
      Mt 12:15b-21 Jesus, the elected servant.

4 Thu  *Episcopal ordination of Mar Jose Pulickal (2016)*
      Eph 6:10-17 Fight against the evil
      Mk 9:33-37 First one, servant of all.
      **St. John Britto**
      1 Cor 9:19-23 I became all things to all men.
      Jn 15:18-25 The world will hate you because of me.

5 Fri  *First Friday*
      **Greek Fathers**
      *It is proper to use the Order of Third Quddasha (Anaphora of Mar Nestorius) in the Holy Qurbana.*
      1 Sam 22:11-21 (22:6-21) Those who are persecuted for truth.
      Mt 5:1-12 (4:23-5:19) Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness.
      **Syriac Fathers**
      2 Kgs13:14-21 The Lord’s arrow of victory over Aram.
Mt 16:24-28 (16:24-17:9) Take up your cross and follow me.
Patron of the Church
Is 41:8-16 People chosen by God.
Acts 19:8-20 The power of the Word of God.
2 Cor 10:3-8 (10:3-18) Apostle’s authority to build up the Church.
Mt 25:14-23 (24:45-47+25:14-23) Increase the God-given talents.

6 Sat  
Death anniversary of Mar Mathew Pothanamuzhy (1982)
1Cor 3:10-17 Foundation is Jesus Christ.
Lk 11:14-23 Jesus and Beelzebul.

7 Sun  
Sixth Sunday of Epiphany
Deut 24:14-22 (24: 9-22) Be merciful to others
Is 63:7-16 Lord redeems His people
Heb 8:1-6(8:1- 9:10) Jesus the mediator of new covenant
Jn 3:22-31(3:22-4:3) Jesus and John the Baptist.

8 Mon  
Episcopal ordination of Mar Thomas Elavanal (1997)
1 Jn 5:6-12 Witness to the son of God.
Mk 3:13-19 Jesus appoints the twelve.

9 Tue  
Episcopal ordination of Mar Mathew Arackal (2001) and Mar George Madathikandathil (2013)
1 Jn 1:5-10 God is light.
Jn 9:35-39 Jesus removes the spiritual blindness.

10 Wed  
Rom 14:1-6 Do not judge another.
Jn 8:31-38 Truth will make you free.

11 Thu  
Col 1:21-23 Constancy in faith.
Lk 13:10-17 Jesus heals a crippled woman.
Our Lady of Lourdes (Day of the sick)
Rev 12:1-6 The woman crowned with stars.
Jn 2:1-11 Do whatever He tells you.

12 Fri  
Commemoration of the Dead
Ezek 37:1-14 The Lord promises new life to His people.
1 Cor 15:39-49 (15:34-57) The resurrection of the body.
Season of Lent

The passion, death and resurrection of Jesus mark the climax of His salvific acts. The seven weeks between Denha and the feast of Easter are set apart for prayer, fasting, abstinence and reparation. The basis of this lenten season is the forty days fast of Jesus. Still, we call this period ‘Anpathu Nombu’ (50 days’ fasting). Probably, because St.Thomas Christians fasted and abstained from ‘pethurtha’ Sunday to Easter Sunday. The Syriac term ‘pethurtha’ means ‘returning’, ‘ceasing’ etc. Lent is a season set apart mainly for repentance and reconciliation.

We who became God’s children and new creation in baptism drifted away from God by committing sin. During this season we meditate upon man’s sin and its consequences, the need for repentance and conversion, the infinite love and mercy of God towards repentant sinners and the passion, death and burial of Jesus Christ. Lenten season calls our attention in a special way to the need for reconciliation with God and fellow beings. Therefore, in this period, the Church persuades the faithful to receive the sacrament of reconciliation.

The Church reminds us to spend the lenten period in fervent prayers, sincere fasting and generous almsgiving and to eradicate our evil desires. Like Jesus who conquered death and entered into life, let us also die to sin and enter into eternal life.

First Sunday of Lent

Lent begins at midnight. Fasting on the first day of Lent. Marriage is banned from tomorrow until Easter.

Is 58:1-10 (58:1-12,14) The spirit of the true fasting.
15 Mon **Day of Fasting**
Gen 1:1-19 God creates heaven and earth.
Josh 1:1-15 Be careful to act in accordance with all the laws.
Mt 5:17-26 (5:17-37) Reconciliation with brothers and sisters.

16 Tue Gen 1:20-2:7 Creation of man.

Josh 2:8-24 Rahab protects the spies of Israel.
Rom 2:12-24 (2:7-27) Salvation is not through the law.

Josh 3:1-13 I am with you.
Rom 3:9-20 (2:28-3:26) All are sinners.
Mt 6:25-34 (6:19-34) Depend on the divine providence.

Josh 3:14-4:9 The Israelites cross the Jordan.
Mt 7:1-6 (7:1-14) Do not judge.

20 Sat *Death anniversary of Cardinal Mar Joseph Parecattil (1987)*
Rom 3:21-26 Those who believed are justified.

21 Sun ✡ **Second Sunday of Lent**
Gen 5:19-31 Persons who lived with God.
Josh 4:15-24 God dried up river Jordan for the people to pass.

22 Mon *Episcopal ordination of Mar Joseph Pastor Neelankavil (1987)*
Mk 7:14-23 Internal and external holiness.
23 Tue  Rom 8:18-25 Glory that is to be revealed.
Mt 7:7-12 The power of prayer.

St. Polycarp
Ex 3:1-6 God calls Moses.
Dan 3:19-26 Three young men in the blazing furnace.
2 Cor 6:3-10 We are servants.
Lk 11:43-52 Prophets will be persecuted.

24 Wed  Rom 6:15-23 Eternal life is the gift of God.
Mt 9:1-8 Jesus heals the paralyzed.

Mt 5:33-37 Do not swear.

Blessed Martyr Sr. Rani Maria
2 Mac 7:1-11 The mother and her seven sons.
2 Cor 4:7-15 The life of Jesus is visible in our mortal flesh.
Mt 10:16-25 Give witness to the Gospel.

26 Fri  Gen 6:5-12 (5: 32-6: 22) Sin increases.
Josh 5:1-12 Punishment to those who brake the commandments.
Rom 7:7-12 (7:1-13) Commandment of God is holy and right.

27 Sat  1 Cor 5:9-13 Keep away from immorality.
Mt 11:16-19 Unrepentant attitude.

28 Sun ✠ Third Sunday of Lent
Josh 5:13-6:5 Joshua is near Jericho.
Rom 7:14-25 The fight against evil.
Mt 20:17-28 The first among you must be the servant of the all.

2021 February
March 2021
Season of Lent

1 Mon  Rom 7:1-6 Serve in the novelty of the spirit.
Mk 12:28-34 Commandment of love.

2 Tue  1 Cor 10:1-13 Those who stand may not fall.
Lk 21:29-36 Always be watchful.

3 Wed  1 Pet 3:8-12 Do not repay evil for evil.
Mt 5:43-48 Love your enemies.

4 Thu  Eph 6:1-9 Reward from the Lord according to the deed.
Mk 12:35-40 Jesus criticises the scribes.

5 Fri  First Friday
Gen 9:8-17 (9: 8-29) Covenant with Noah.
Josh 6:8-27 Fall of Jericho.
Rom 8:1-6 (7: 25-8:11) Spiritual desires lead to life.

6 Sat  Eph 4:25-32 The evils that is to be renounced.
Mt 21:28-32 The parable of the two sons.

7 Sun  Fourth Sunday of Lent
Rom 8:12-17 (8:12-21) Heirs of God.
Mt 21:33-44 (21:23-46) They are those who reject Son of Man.

8 Mon  Gen 12:1-9 God calls Abraham.
Josh 7:16-26 The sin of Achan.
Rom 9:1-13 Election of Israel.
Jn 5:1-18 Miracle at Beth-zatha.

Josh 8:1-9 (8:1-17) Destruction of Ai
Jn 5:19-23 (5:19-47) All may honour the Son.
        Josh  8:18-29 Destruction of Ai city.

11 Thu  Gen 14:8-16 (14:1-16) God saves Lot.
        Josh 8:30-35 Joshua builds altar.
        Rom 11:1-10 (10:17-11:12) The remnant part which is elected by the grace.
        Jn 7:1-13 Feast of the Tent.

        Rom 11:25-36 Renovation of Israel.
        Jn 7:25-31 (7:14-36) Christ sent by God.

13 Sat  Rom 13:1-7 All authorities are from God.
        Jn 7:45-53 Unbelief of the authorities.

14 Sun  **Fifth Sunday of Lent**
        Gen 16:6-16 (16:1-16) Hagar is comforted by the Lord.
        Josh 9:16-27 Cleansing water and wood for fire.
        Jn 7:37-39, 8:12-20 (7:37-52+8:12-20) Jesus, the living water and light of the world.

15 Mon  Col 2:16-19 Substance belongs to Christ.
        Lk 18:18-25 Sell and give to the poor.

16 Tue  2 Cor 9:10-15 Service of the ministry.
        Lk 10:33-37 Be good neighbour.

17 Wed  Jude 8-13 Woe to those who abandon God.
        Jn 8:1-11 Do not commit sin again.

18 Thu  1 Tim 4:6-10 Duties of a real minister.
        Lk 18:31-34 Glory through passion.
        **St. Cyril of Jerusalem**
        Deut 4:1-8 Be faithful.
        Sir 39:6-14 Be proud of the Covenant of God.
        1 Cor 10:14-21 Get away from idol worship.
        Mt 10:23-28 Bear witness without fear.

Death of St. Joseph
Is 41:8-16 Jacob, I have chosen you.
2 Cor 10:3-11 (10:3-18) The spiritual weapons.
Mt 1:18-25 Joseph, the Just.

20 Sat  1 Cor 13:1-13 Love is great of all.
Mk 10:1-12 What God has joined together, let no one separate.

21 Sun  Sixth Sunday of Lent
Rom 14:13-23 Do not be a scandal to your brother.
Jn 10:11-18 (9:39,10:21) Shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

22 Mon  1 Thess 3:6-13 Foster faith and unity.
Jn 12:44-50 Those who believe do not dwell in darkness.

23 Tue  Patron's day of Mar Vijay Anand Nedumpuram.
2 Pet 2:4-10 Warning to those who live without God's fear.
Lk 13:31-35 Lamentation over Jerusalem.

24 Wed  1 Jn 2:7-11 Those who hate the brother dwells in darkness.
Mt 18:15-20 Correct each other.

25 Thu  The Feast of Annunciation
Acts 1:11-14 Wait for the promise of the Father.
Heb 1:1-13 (1:1-13+2:16-18) God has spoken through His Son.
Lk 1:26-38 The birth of Jesus foretold.

2021 March
         Josh 22:10-20 A Memorial altar East of the Jordan.

27 Sat  Acts 20:22-38 Give testimony to the Gospel
         Jn 12:1-8 Mary anoints Jesus.

28 Sun  ✩ Palm Sunday
         Gen 49:8-12,22-26(49:1-12,22-26) The scepter shall not depart
         from Judah.
         Zech 9:9-12(4:8-14+7:9-10+8:4-5,12-19+9:9-12) The coming of
         Ruler of God’s people.
         Rom 11:13-24 You have been cut from wild olive tree grafted
         into a cultivated olive tree.
         Mt 21:1-17 (20:29-21:22) Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

         Josh 22:21-29 God is omnipotent.
         Heb 1:5-14 (1: 1-14) The Son is superior to angels.

30 Tue  Gen 37:23-36 The brothers sell Joseph.
         Josh 22:30-23:1 Lord re-establish the peace.
         Heb 5:1-10 (4:14-6: 8) Merciful high priest.
         Jn 12:20-26 (12:12-43) Whoever serves me must follow me.

31 Wed  Gen 40:1-23 Joseph interprets the dream.
         Jn 12:27-33 Son of man should be lifted up.
April 2021

Seasons of Lent and Resurrection

1 Thu  **Pesaha Thursday**
*Death anniversary of Cardinal Mar Varkey Vithayathil (2011).*
Only one Qurbana in the churches. Bl. Sacrament is given only to the sick outside Qurbana. It is proper to use the Order of Third Quddasha (Anaphora of Mar Nestorius) in the Holy Qurbana.
Ex 12:1-20 The first Passover instituted.
Mal 1:10-14 make a pure offering.
1 Cor 11:23-29 The Institution of the Lord's Supper.

2 Fri  **First Friday**
*Passion Friday* *(Day of fasting and abstinence)*
Rom 5:6-16 Christ died for the ungodly.
**Part II** Jn 19:31-42.

3 Sat  **Great Saturday**
*Till the feast of the Holy Trinity “Queen of Heaven” is recited.*
Jon 2:1-10 Jonah in the belly of fish for three days and three nights.
Rom 6:3-11 If we are united with Christ in a death like his, we will be united with Him in a resurrection like his.
Mt 28:1-20 Goodnews of Resurrection.

**Season of Resurrection**

The Season of Resurrection consists of seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost. It is a time of joy recalling the new life obtained through the cross which was a sign of folly becoming the sign of redemption and glory, the resurrection of Christ as a pledge of our resurrection, His resurrection as a basis Christian faith etc.

The early Church was administering the sacrament of baptism in connection with Easter. As St. Paul reminds us, ‘We were buried
therefore resurrection of the Saviour. In fact, the prayers and hymns of this period reflect this joy. Some of the important themes of this liturgical season are the resurrection of Christ, his victory over sin, death and Satan, with him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.’ (Rom 6: 4-5) The week after Easter was set apart for the newly baptized. It is worth imitating this ancient tradition of administering baptism in connection with Easter.

4 Sun **Easter Sunday (Resurrection of our Lord)**

*Death anniversary of Mar Abraham Kattumana (1995)*
*Death anniversary of Mar Sebastian Valloppilly (2006)*

Is 60:1-7 The glory of God in Jerusalem.
1 Sam 2:1-10 Rejoice in Christ.
Mt 28:1-6 Resurrection of Christ.

**First Sunday of Resurrection**

*Old Testament readings and the Epistle reading are same as that of Easter Liturgy.*

Jn 20:1-18 The Lord is risen.

5 Mon **Episcopal Ordination of Mar John Nellikunnel (2018).**

Is 60:15-22 (60: 9-22) Future glory of Jerusalem.
Rom 4:1-8 Justification through faith.

6 Tue **Death anniversary of Mar Emmanuel Pothanamuzhy (2003)**

Is 61:1-9 Good news of liberation.

7 Wed **Episcopal ordination of Mar George Njaralakatt (2010).**

Is 61:10-62:5 Future of Sion.
Acts 4:23-31 Faithful are strengthened through prayer.
8 Thu  Episcopal ordination of Mar Remigios Inchananiyil (2010).
Acts 6:1-7 Election of decons.
Col 2:12-15 (2:8-3:4) You raised with Christ.

9 Fri  The Feast of Martyrs (Feast of All Saints)
Heb 11:3-10 (11:3-10, 32-12:2) By faith our ancestors received approval.
Mt 10:26-33 (10:16-33) Be witnesses without fear.

Col 3:1-4 Glory to us along with Him.
Mk 16:1-8 Resurrection of Christ.

11 Sun  Second Sunday of Resurrection  (Sunday of Neophytes).
Episcopal ordination of Mar Paul Alappatt (2010).
Is 55:4-13 He who gathers the unknown people.
Col 1:12-20 (1:1-20) Jesus, the crown of creation.
Jn 20:19-29 (20:19-31) Thomas, the apostle professes his faith in Jesus.

1 Cor 1:10-17 Live in harmony.
Lk 24:28-35 Disciples recognise the risen Christ.

Jn 5:41-47 Writings of Moses about Christ.

14 Wed  Episcopal ordination of Mar Thomas Chakiath (1998)
Gal 5:1-6 Love activated through faith.
Mk 7:31-37 Jesus cures a deaf man.

15 Thu  Phil 1:27-30 Privilege of believing in Christ and suffering for him.
Mt 15:21-28 Faith of the Canaanite woman.
16 Fri  Death anniversary of Mar Abraham Mattam (2019)
1 Cor 1:18-24 Folly of the cross.
Mk 4:1-9 Parable of the sower.

17 Sat  Episcopal ordination of Mar James Athikalam (2018)
Col 3:14-17 Let Christ’s peace rule in your hearts.
Lk 24:36-43 Jesus appears to the disciples.

18 Sun  ✝ Third Sunday of Resurrection
Episcopal ordination of Mar Pauly Kannokadan (2010)
Is 56:1-7 Salvation to all who obey.
Acts 5:34-42 Jesus is the Messiah.
Eph 1:3-14 (1:1-14) Redemption through the blood of Jesus.
Jn 14:1-14 Jesus, the way to the Father.

19 Mon  Jas 5:7-12 Wait for the coming of Christ.
Mt 25:1-13 Be prepared to receive the Bridegroom.

20 Tue  Episcopal ordination of Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath (2002)
1 Thess 5:12-22 Do good always.
Mk 4:13-20 Produce good fruits.

21 Wed  Phil 1:21-26 Life is Christ and death is profit.
Mt 8:1-4 Jesus cleanses a leper.

22 Thu  2 Cor 8:1-11 Be generous.
Mk 4:35-41 Jesus calms the sea.

23 Fri  Episcopal ordination of Mar Thomas Tharayil (2017).
Rom 15:1-6 Make happy others.
Lk 6:6-11 Do good on Sabbath.

24 Sat  Jas 2:14-17 Faith without is dead.
Lk 6:46-49 Do the will of God.

St. George
Patron’s day of Major Archbishop Mar George Alencherry,
Mar George Njaralakatt, Mar George Vallyamattam, Mar George Punnakottil, Mar George Rajendran and Mar George Madathikandathil.
The Episcopal ordination of Mar George Punnakottil (1977) and Mar Gregory Karotemprayil (1983)

2021 April
Dan 6:12-24 Daniel is thrown to the lions.
2 Cor 12:1-10 (12:1-14) Be happy in sufferings.

St. Mark, the Evangelist (25 Sunday)
Gen 41:39-45 Joseph ruler of Egypt.
Ezek 1:10-14 The vision of Ezekiel.
2 Tim 4:6-18 Mark helps Paul in the mission journey.
Mk 16:15-20 Go and preach the Gospel.

25 Sun ★ Fourth Sunday of Resurrection
World Prayer Day for Vocations
Is 49:13-23 God will never forget us.
Acts 8:14-25 You cannot buy God’s gift with money.
Eph 2:1-7 (1:15-2:7) Salvation is a gift of God.
Jn 16:16-24 (16:16-33) Your sadness will turn into gladness.

26 Mon Death anniversary of Mar Joseph Kundukulam (1998)
1 Tim 6:13-16 Obey the commandments.
Lk 20:9-16 The parable of the wicked tenants.

27 Tue 1 Tim 6:17-21 Secure the future life.
Mt 19:23-30 Everything is possible to God.

28 Wed Heb 7:1-10 Priest in the order of Melchizedek.
Jn 5:30-38 Those who fulfill the will of God.

29 Thu 2 Pet 2:1-3 Beware of false prophets.
Mt 15:1-9 Dedication of heart is important.
St. Catherine of Sienna
1 Jn 1:5-2:2 Jesus who wipes away the sins.
Mt 11:25-30 Hidden and mysterious knowledge.

30 Fri Eph 5:13-21 Jesus will shine upon you.
Mk 6:35-44 Five loaves and two fishes.
May 2021
Season of Resurrection

1 Sat  Death anniversary of Mar Anikuzhikattil (2020)
Episcopal ordination of Mar Jacob Thoomkuzhy (1973),
1 Cor 14:20-25 Behave with maturity.
Mk 6:1-6 Jesus is rejected in the home town.
St. Joseph, the Patron of the working class
Gen 3:17-19,23-24 With the sweat of your forehead you shall eat your bread.
Wis 9:10-18 Nothing is possible without hard work.
Col 3:14-17 Do everything in the name of the Lord.
Mt 13:53-58 Jesus, son of a carpenter.
St. Athanasius (2 Sunday)
2 Sam 22:1-7 David’s song of deliverance.
Sir 45:1-5 Equal with angels in glory.
2 Cor 4:5-14 Treasure in earthen vessels.
Mt 10:23-28 Suffering for Jesus.

2 Sun  Fifth Sunday of Resurrection
Mar Addai
Is 49:7-13 God’s mercy and compassion.
Jn 21:1-14 The Lord who cares.

3 Mon  1 Pet 4:12-19 Do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal.
Lk 11:29-32 Sign of Jona.
Sts. Philip and James, Apostles
Ex 15:1-6 Song of Moses
Wis 5:1-7 Face persecution with fortitude.
1 Cor 9:16-23 To preach the good news is the duty of a Christian.
Jn 14:1-6 (14:1-14) Jesus the way, the truth and life.

4 Tue  Death anniversary of Bp. John Medlikott (1918)
Jas 1:22-27 Hearing and doing the word.
Mt 21:18-22 Jesus curses the fig tree.
5 Wed Col 3:5-11 Put on the new man.
Jn 3:1-8 Reborn through water and spirit.

6 Thu Heb 3:7-13 Do not go away from the living God.
Jn 5:24-29 Life giver of all.

St. Dominic Savio
1 Jn 2:14-17 Word of God abides in you.
Mk 10:13-16 Kingdom of heaven belongs to children.

7 Fri 1 Cor 2:1-5 Message about the crucified.
Mt 15:10-20 Internal and external holiness.

8 Sat Heb 7:11-17 Jesus, the eternal priest.
Jn 15:26-16: 4 Holy Spirit witnesses about Christ.

9 Sun ✹ Sixth Sunday of Resurrection
The feast of Ascension of our Lord will be on next Thursday.
Is 52:7-12 (51:9-11 + 52:7-12) All the earth shall see the salvation of our God.
Eph 2:11-22 (2:4-22) We are one in Christ.
Jn 17:20-26 (17:1-26) Let they may all be one.

10 Mon 1 Pet 2:1-5 Living stone and chosen people.

11 Tue 2 Pet 3:10 -13 New heaven and new earth.
Mk 13:32-37 Keep awake.

12 Wed Eph 5:1-5 Behave like saints.
Jn 15:11-17 Love each other.

13 Thu ✹ Ascension of our Lord
Important feast day and a day of obligation.
2 Kgs 2:1-12 (2:1-15) Elijah is taken up to heaven.
Acts 1:6-11 (1:1-14) Jesus is taken to heaven.
1 Tim 2:1-7 (1:18-2:15) Jesus is the only mediator.
14 Fri Phil 3:12-15 New life in Christ.
   Jn 3:31-36 The one who comes from above is above all.
   St. Mathias, the Apostle
   1 Sam 16:4-13 (16:1-13) Anointing of David.
   Acts 1:15-26 The election of Mathias.
   1 Cor 1:26-30 God who chooses the foolish.
   Mt 11:25-30 Jesus the comfort of the poor and the afflicted.

15 Sat Episcopal Ordination of Mar Jose Porunnedom (2004)
   1 Cor 7:32-35 Chance to serve the Lord.
   Mt 3:7-12 Produce the fruit of repentance.

16 Sun ✦ Seventh Sunday of Resurrection
   Patron’s day of Mar Simon Stock Palathara and Mar Joy Alappatt
   Is 6:1-13 Here I am; send me.
   Acts 1:15-26 Matthias was enrolled with the eleven apostles.
   Phil 2:1-11 (1:27-2:11) Every tongue must confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.
   Mk 16:14-20 (16:9-20) Go into all the world and preach the Gospel.

17 Mon 2 Thess 2:13-17 You are the first fruits of salvation.
   Jn 4:3-15 Jesus gives the water of life.

18 Tue 1 Cor 8:8-13 Do not be a scandal to the week.
   Lk 12:13-21 The parable of the rich fool.

19 Wed 1 Jn 4:12-21 God gives His spirit.
   Jn 17:1-5 Knowledge of Christ provides eternal life.

20 Thu Inauguration of the first Syro-Malabar Bishops’ Synod (1993)
   Consecration of Mar Antony Cardinal Padiyara, the first Major Archbishop of Syro-Malabar Church (1993)
   1 Jn 1:1-3 Testimony to the word of life.
   Lk 14:25-35 Cost of discipleship.

21 Fri 1 Jn 2:22-25 Eternal life is the promise of Christ.
   Mt 24:7-14 Those who endures to the end will be saved.

22 Sat 1 Cor 9:13-18 Woe to me if I do not proclaim the gospel.
   Mt 18:23-35 Forgive without any limit.

2021 May
Season of Apostles

This season comprises 7 weeks from the day of the feast of Pentecost. In this season we give importance to the working of the Holy Spirit.

Pentecost is a feast intimately connected with the history of salvation. In the Old Testament, we read that the Israelites celebrated Pentecost in connection with harvest. The term ‘Pentecost’ means ‘fifty’ - the feast on the fiftieth day. It was a feast of first fruit connected with the harvest. Later this feast turned out to be the commemoration of the covenant by which the Israelites became the people of God.

In the New Testament, this feast is given a new meaning. It was on the fiftieth day after Easter that the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles. It is the birthday of the new people of God. On that day, God our Father sealed the new covenant in the Holy Spirit, the personification of love. This covenant is written not on stone tables but in human hearts. It is only after Pentecost that the spirit-filled apostles went around the world with the message of the New Covenant and laid the foundation of the communities of faith. The term ‘apostle’ means ‘one who is sent’. This season reminds us that all those who have received baptism and anointing are ‘being sent’. The main themes of this period are the work of the Holy Spirit, deep relationship between the apostles and the Church ie, the people of God, the spirit and unity of the primitive Church and the mission and missionary nature of the Church. Let us join the apostles who moved around the world with the message of their master and formed new communities of the faithful.

23 Sun  First Sunday of Apostles: The Feast of Pentecost
24 Mon 1 Cor 14:26-33 Use of spiritual gifts.
   Mt 11:25-30 Jesus is the comfort for the weary.

25 Tue 2 Thess 1:3-12 Accept the sufferings for the Kingdom of God.
   Mt 20:29-34 Jesus heals two blind men.

26 Wed *Episcopal ordination of Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara (2012)*
   1 Cor 11:31-34a Wait for one other.
   Mt 13:31-35 Parable of mustard seed and yeast.

27 Thu Heb 8:7-13 The new covenant inscribed in the heart.
   Jn 2:13-25 Jesus is the true temple.

28 Fri **Friday of Gold**
   Is 35:3-10 The Glorious future.
   Lk 7:11-23 (7:1-23) The blind see and the lame walk.

29 Sat *Installation of Major Archbishop Mar George Alencherry (2011)*
   1 Cor 12:12-20 We are one body in spirit.
   Jn 6:25-29 Believe in whom He has sent.

30 Sun ✡ **Second Sunday of Apostles**
   Acts 4:8-22 (4:5-22) Salvation only through Christ.
   1 Cor 6:1-11 (5:6-6:11) You have been baptized by Christ.
   Lk 7:36-50 (7:31-50) Forgiveness to the sinful women.
   **Feast of Holy Trinity**
   Rom 5:1-5 Share in the glory of God.
   Jn 16:12-15 Fulfillment in true spirit.

31 Mon Phil 3:16-21 Let us hold what we have attained.
   Jn 11:17-27 Jesus is the resurrection and life.
   **Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
   Rom 12:9-16 Share your blessings.
   Lk 1:39-45 The Blessed Virgin Mary visits Elizabeth.
June 2021
Season of Apostles

1 Tue  Patron’s day of Mar Gratian Mundadan CMI
1 Cor 9:1-12 The right of the apostle.
Jn 6:64-71 Words of eternal life are with you.

St. Justin
Gen 18:23-32 God punishes the wicked.
Wis 10:9-14 Wisdom rescues from trouble.
1 Cor 1:18-25 Cross is the power of God.
Lk 12:2-8 Acknowledge God without fear.

2 Wed  Death Anniversary of Venerable Mar Thomas Kurialacherry (1925)
1 Cor 6:12-20 Our body is the temple of Holy spirit.
Jn 6:37-44 Eternal life to those who believe in the Son.

3 Thu  The Body and Blood of Christ
Gen 14:17-20 (14:1-20) Melchizedek brings bread and wine.
Mal 1:7-12 (1:6-12) Unceasing sacrifice offered.
1 Cor 11:23-30 (10:15-17+11:23-30) This is the living bread.
Jn 6:51-59 (6:51-64) This is the life-giving bread.

4 Fri  First Friday
1 Cor 3:18-23 Wisdom of the world is folly to God.
Jn 6:45-50 Eternal life to those who believe.

5 Sat  1 Cor 10:14-22 Sharing in the body of Christ.

6 Sun  ✯ Third Sunday of Apostles
Deut 1:5-8 (1:3-17) God who is faithful in His promises.
Is 1:1-9 People that went astray from God.
1 Cor 7:1-7 Every call is God’s special gift.

7 Mon  1 Cor 12:18-27 We are one body in Christ.
Jn 6:30-36 Those who believe in Christ do not hunger.
8 Tue  1 Cor 4:15-21  Kingdom of God is not in words but in power. 
Mt 18:6-9  Do not give scandals. 
**St. Mariam Thresia**
Gen 12:1-4 God calls Abraham. 
Sir 2:1-6 Trust in the Lord. 
Gal 2:19-21 Crucified with Christ. 
Mt 25:31-40 Express your love of God through good deeds.

9 Wed  Phil 2:12-16 Become sons of God. 
Jn 4:39-42 Jesus is the redeemer of the world. 
**Mar Aprem**
*Patron’s Day of Mar Ephrem Nariculam*
Deut 26:16-19 You are a holy people. 
Sir 45:1-5 The Glory of Moses. 
Rom 5:1-5 Rewards of righteousness. 
Mt 5:13-20 You are the salt of the earth and light of the world.

10 Thu  1 Cor 3:1-9 You are the field and house of God. 
Lk 8:4-15 The Word which is sown.

11 Fri  *Death anniversary of Mar Sebastian Mankuzhikary (1994).*
**Feast of Sacred Heart of Jesus**
Gen 13:8-18 Abraham and Lot separate. 
Is 52:13-53:9 He is wounded for our sake. 
Rom 10:1-10 (9:30-10:17) Jesus is the salvation for all. 
Jn 19:30-37 (Mt 11:25-30+Jn.19:30-37) The pierced heart. 
**St. Barnabas, the Apostle**
1 Chr 16:8-12 Proclaim the works of the Lord. 
Gal 2:1-10 Barnabas with Paul. 
Mt 10:16-22 Give testimony to Christ before the Gentiles.

12 Sat  **Immaculate Heart of Mary**
Eph 1:2-8 We have been chosen in Christ. 
Lk 2:41-51 Mary treasured everything in her heart. 
**St. Antony of Padua (13 Sunday)**
*Patron’s day of Mar Antony Chirayath, Mar Antony Kariyil, Mar Prince Antony Panengadan and Mar Tony Neelankavil.*
1 Cor 2:1-10 Wisdom is the power of God’s Spirit. 
Lk 10:1-9 Pray to the Lord of harvest.
13 Sun  ✡ Fourth Sunday of the Apostles
Deut 1:16-18 (1:16-33) Judge justly.
Is 1:10-20 Wipe out sin and do good.

14 Mon  Death anniversary of Mar Kuriakose Kunnassery (2017)
2 Cor 1:3-7 God comforts in the afflictions.
Mk 5:25-34 Christ rewards for the faith.

15 Tue  Phil 1:12-18 Proclaim the gospel without fear.
Lk 10:38-42 Mary has selected the good part.

16 Wed  1 Cor 15:31-34 Resurrection gives meaning to the earthly life
Mt 14:22-33 Jesus walks on the water.

17 Thu  1 Cor 8:1-6 There is one God and one Lord.
Mk 7:24-30 Faith of the Syro-Phoenician woman.

18 Fri  Death anniversary of Mar John Perumattam (2011).
Episcopal ordination of Mar Peter Kochupurackal (2020).
Gal 2:15-18 Justification through faith.
Mk 5:21-24, 35-43 Jairus’ daughter restored to life.

19 Sat  2 Cor 2:12-17 We are the fragrance of Christ.
Mk 1:40-45 Jesus heals the leper.

20 Sun  ✡ Fifth Sunday of the Apostles
Is 1:21-31 God’s anger is on them who do injustice.
1Cor 14:1-12 (14:1-19) Love is our goal.
Lk 12:22-34 (12:16-34) Become the rich in the presence of God.

21 Mon  2 Cor 1:8-11 Suffering to depend on God.
Jn 16:25-33 I have conquered the world.

22 Tue  Col 2:20-23 New life in Christ.
Mt 11:1-6 Blessed are those who are not scandalised in Christ.
Sts. John Fisher and Thomas Moore
1 Pet 4:12-19 Suffer with Christ.
Mt 10:16-22 The Spirit of the Father will speak through you.

23 Wed  Rom 5:12-21 Justification through Christ.
Mk 12:1-12 Servants of the vineyard.
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July 2021
Seasons of Apostles and Kaitha

1 Thu  Episcopal ordination of Mar Jacob Angadiath (2001).
Rom 11:1-10 Salvation through the grace of God.
Mk 10:46-52 Jesus heals Bartimaeus.

2 Fri  First Friday
Rom 13:1-6 All powers are from God
Mt 22:15-22 Give to Caesar what is to him.

3 Sat  ✰ Dukhrana of St. Thomas Apostle
Important feast day and a day of obligation.
Patron’s day of Mar Thomas Elavanal, Mar Thomas Chakiath,
Mar Thomas Thurimuthattam and Mar Thomas Tharayil.
Gen 2:8-17 Man is put in the garden of Eden to toil it and keep it.
Pro 4:10-18 I have taught you the way of wisdom.
Eph 2:19-22 Apostles and Prophets are the foundation and
Christ Jesus the corner-stone.
Jn 20:24-29 My Lord and my God.

4 Sun  ✰ Seventh Sunday of Apostles
Is 5:8-20 (5:8-25) God shows himself holy by righteousness.
Lk 13:22-30 (13:22-35) Enter through the narrow door.

5 Mon  2 Cor 2:5-11 Forgiveness for the offender.
Mt 12:38-42 Sign of Jonah.

6 Tue  Rom 13:7-10 Those who loves the neighbour fulfills the law.
Mk 1:29-34 Jesus heals the mother-in-law of Peter.

7 Wed  1 Cor 7:17-24 The life according to the call.
Lk 16:9-17 You can not serve two masters.

8 Thu  2 Cor 4:1-6 Treasure in clay jars.
Mt 23:13-22 Hypocrisy of the pharisees and scribes.
9 Fri  **Seventy disciples of Jesus**
Is 41:17-20 (41:8-20) Protecting love of Jesus.
Acts 13:16-23 (13:13-23) Proclaiming the Messiah, the promised one.
Rom 8:28-39 (8:28-9:5) Who will separate us from the love of Christ?

10 Sat  **Death anniversary of Mar James Pazhayattil (2016)**
1 Cor 7:8-16 Wife should not separate from the husband.
Mt 19:1-12 God created them as man and women.

**St. Benedict (11 Sunday)**
Gen 17:1-8 Covenant with Abraham.
Wis 9:1-12 Pray for wisdom.
Rom 8:12-17 You will die if you live according to the flesh.
Mt 5:1-12 The Beatitudes.

### Season of Kaitha

This season commences commemorating the twelve apostles of Christ. The seven week long period is called Kaitha. The term ‘Kaitha’ means summer. It is the season of harvest. This season reminds us of the growth of the Church as a result of the missionary activity of the apostles.

The criteria to measure the growth of the Church are the life of witness of the individual Christians. Hence the commemoration of apostles and martyrs who were faithful to the Church is a special feature of this season. It reminds also of our responsibility to follow their life-style. This season reminds us of a total conversion which is effected by the renewal of mind and heart through the obedience of the law.

It can be seen also as a preparation to the season of Elijah-Cross-Moses that points to the second coming of our Lord. It directs us to the need of repentance and conversion. We have to be prepared for the second coming of our Lord. May this season help us to renounce our sinful ways and lead a life of holiness.
11 Sun  ✠ First Sunday of Kaitha
Feast of 12 Apostles
Death anniversary of Mar Charles Levigne (1913)
1 Kgs 18:30-39 Elijah builds an altar with twelve stones.
1 Cor 1:9-16 (1 Cor 1:9-16 + 2 Cor 1:8-14) Be united in the mind.
Lk 14:7-14 (14:1-14) The mentality of the disciple.

12 Mon  1 Cor 11:17-22 There should not be divisions among you.
         Mt 21:28-32 Do the will of the Father.

13 Tue  1 Cor 14:20-25 Be infants in evil, but in thinking be mature.
         Lk 19:11-27 Be faithful in a very little.

14 Wed  1 Tim 6:11-16 Fight of the faithful.
         Jn 10:22-28 My deeds give witness to me.

15 Thu  1 Cor 14:13-19 The gift of the Spirit for the growth of the Church.
         Jn 8:48-59 Before Abraham was, I am.

Sts. Kuriakose and Julitta
Patron’s Day of Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara.
Dan 3:25-45 Praising Lord from furnace.
Acts 6:8-15 (6: 8-7:10) One who has God with him is saved.
Heb 11:3-10 (11:3-10,32-12:2) The faith of our fathers.
Mt 10:16-33 Bear witness to the Lord in front of the people.

16 Fri  St. James of Nisibis
Is 41:8-16 I have chosen you.
2 Cor 10:3-11 (10:3-18) Spiritual weapons.
Lk 12:4-12 (12:1-12) Bear witness fearlessly.
Our Lady of Mount Carmel
1 Kgs 18:41-46 Elijah brings rain through prayer.
Is 35:1-4 The splendour of Carmel.
2 Cor 1:3-7 Participation in the sufferings of Christ.
Lk 11:24-28 True blessedness.

17 Sat  2 Cor 6:14-18 The Temple of God.
         Mk 2:1-12 Jesus heals the paralytic.
18 Sun  ✡ Second Sunday of Kaitha
Deut 4:32-40 The eternal love of God.
Is 4:2-6 (3:16-4:6) Promise of salvation to Jerusalem.
2 Cor 3:4-12 (3:4-18) The new covenant of love in Spirit.
Lk 15:11-32 (15:4-32) There is joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.

19 Mon  Jas 1:12-18 The crown of life for those who endures the trial.
Mt 7:21-28 Those who do the will of God enters the Kingdom.

20 Tue  Jas 4:1-7a Friendship with the world is enmity with God.
Lk 6:20-26 The beatitudes.

21 Wed  2 Cor 4:14-5:1 Eternal building from God.
Jn 12:23-28 Grain of wheat should fall into the earth and die.

22 Thu  Jas 1: 2-8 Testing of the faith produces steadfastness.
Mk 11:12-14, 20-26 Faith makes everything possible.
St. Mary Magdalene
Rom 8:35-39 Who can separate us from the love of Christ?
Jn 20:1-18 Mary Magdalene proclaims the risen Christ.

23 Fri  Mar Mari, disciple of Mar Addai
Is 55:4-11( 55: 4-13) I made him a witness to the peoples.
Acts 4:32-37 (4:32-5:11) Those who believed were of one heart and soul.

24 Sat  Jas 2:1-8 God selected the poor as the heirs of heaven.
Lk 14:15-24 Those who eat the bread of heaven are blessed.
St. James, the Apostle (25 Sunday)
Patron’s day of Mar Jacob Thoomkuzhy, Mar Jacob Manathodath,Mar Jacob Angadiath, Mar Jacob Muricken and Mar James Athikalam.
Ex 24:12-18 Moses on the Mount Sinai.
1 Cor 4:6-15 Apostles of Christ.
Mt 20:20-28 (20:20-33) Not to be served but to serve.

25 Sun  ✡ Third Sunday of Kaitha
Is 5:1-7 The vineyard of the Lord.
2 Cor 7:1-11 I rejoice because you felt a godly grief.

26 Mon  Death Anniversary of Mar Thomas Tharayil Bishop of Kottayam Diocese (1975).
Jas 2:21-26 Faith accomplished through the deeds.
Mt 23:34-39 Jesus mourns over Jerusalem.

Sts. Joachim and Anne
1 Sam 2:1-10 (2:1-18) Hannah’s prayer.
Heb 11:8-12 Faith of Abraham.
Mt 1:1-16 The genealogy of Jesus Christ.

27 Tue  Jas 3:13-18 True wisdom is humble.
Lk 4:25-30 Prophet is neglected in his hometown.

28 Wed  St. Alphonsa
Deut 28:8-12 Israel - God’s portion.
Is 53:10-12 Suffering leads to the kingdom of God.
Gal 2:19-21 Be crucified with Christ.
Jn 12:20-26 Be like grain of wheat that is dropped into the ground and dies.

29 Thu  Jas 5:13-20 The prayer with faith heals the sick.
Mt 10:5-15 Jesus sends disciples.

St. Martha
1 Jn 4:7-16 He who lives in love lives in God.
Jn 11:17-26 (11:3-26) Jesus the life and resurrection.

30 Fri  Eph 3:14-21 Christ is in your heart through faith.
Mk 8:22-26 Jesus heals the blind.

31 Sat  Jas 4:13-17 Boasting is evil.
Lk 9:49-56 He that is not against you is for you

St. Ignatius of Loyola
1 Cor 10:31-11:1 Everything for the glory of God.
Lk 14:25-33 A disciple of Jesus must give up everything.

St. Alphonse Liguori (1 Sunday)
Rom 8:1-11 We have freedom in Jesus.
Mk 12:28-33 You are not far away from God’s kingdom.
August 2021
Seasons of Kaitha and Elijah - Cross - Moses

1 Sun  🖤 The Fourth Sunday of Kaitha
   Fifteen days Lent begins.
   Deut 5:16-24 (5:16-6:3) The law is through Moses.
   2Cor 10:12-18 (10:1-18) Be proud in the Lord Jesus.
   Mk 7:1-13 (7:1-23) Do not reject the word of God to keep your tradition.

2 Mon  Jas 5:1-6 Warning to the wealthy.
   Lk 18:25-30 Eternal life for those who renounce everything.

3 Tue  Jas 5:7-12 Be patient until the coming of the Lord.
   Mk 13:24-31 The coming of the Son of Man.

   2 Cor 13:1-4  Warning to the sinners.
   Mt 9:35-10:1 Jesus’ compassion towards the people.

   St. John Maria Vianney
   1 Sam 21:1-6 Priest gives bread to David.
   Ezek 36:22-27 God who purifies us from sin.
   2 Cor 1:3-7 Sharing in the suffering of Jesus.
   Mt 9:35-10:1 Jesus feels pity on the people.

5 Thu  Jas 4:7b-12 Humble yourselves before the God.
   Lk 12:49-53 I came to bring fire to the earth.

6 Fri  First Friday

   Transfiguration of Our Lord
   Acts 1:15-26 Mathias in the place of Judas.
   Heb 12:18-29 We are in the city of the living God.
   Mt 17:1-9 Transfiguration of our Lord.
7 Sat  2 Thess 2:5-12 Punishment for those who do injustice.
       Mt 11:20-24 Punishment for those who do not repent.

St. Dominic (8 Sunday)
Patron’s Day of Mar Dominic Kokkattu.
1 Cor 2:1-10 Hidden wisdom of God.
       Lk 9:57-62 Go and proclaim the Kingdom of God.

8 Sun  ✚ The Fifth Sunday of Kaitha
       Lev 23:33-44 The feast of the booths.
       Is 28:14-22 Warning to the people who do evil.
       2 Cor 12:14-21 Paul spends everything for others.
       Lk 16:19-31 (16:19-17:10) Show concern for the poor.

9 Mon  2 Tim 3:10-17 All who desire to live a godly life in Jesus Christ
       will be persecuted.
       Mk 4:26-34 Parables of the Kingdom of God.

10 Tue  Patron’s day of Mar Lawrence Mukkuzhy.
       2 Tim 4:1-6 Preach the Word.
       Jn 4:27-38 I have food which you do not know.

11 Wed  1 Tim 6:17-21 Let the rich not be haughty.
       Mt 7:15-20 Know the tree from its fruits.

       St. Clare
       Deut 17:2-9 God’s own holy people.
       Is 62:1-5 People glorified by the protection of the Lord.
       Phil 3:8-14 Renounce everything for Christ.
       Mt 19:27-29 A hundred fold reward.

12 Thu  2 Pet 1:10-15 Be established in the truth.
       Mk 10:35-45 Whoever be first among you must be slave of all.

13 Fri  St. Simoni and her Seven Sons
       2 Mac 7:1-9 The martydom of seven brothers.
       Heb 11:32-12:2 (11:3-10,32-12:2) Witness to faith through suffering.
       Mt 10:16-25 (10:16-33) Suffering for the sake of Christ.
14 Sat 
2 Thess 2:1-4 The Man of Lawlessness.
Mk 13:3-13 False prophets.

St. Maxmillian Kolbe
1 Pet 3:14-17 When we suffer for doing good, we are blessed.
Lk 9:23-26 Renounce life for the sake of Christ.

15 Sun
The Sixth Sunday of Kaitha
Lev 19:1-4, 9-14 You shall be holy, for I am holy.
1 Thess 2:1-12 The innocent behaviour.
Lk 17:11-19 Jesus cleanses ten lepers.

Assumption of our Lady
Important feast day and a day of obligation.

Independence Day
Ex 15:11-18 Song of Moses.

16 Mon
1 Jn 4:7-11 The one who is born from God.
Lk 6:43-45 Know the tree from its fruits.

17 Tue
1 Thess 3:2-6 Advices to establish them in their faith.
Mt 9:18-26 Your faith has saved you.

18 Wed
1 Thess 5:1-11 You are all sons of light and sons of the day.
Mt 24:37-44 The Son of Man will come unexpectedly.

19 Thu
Rom 15:14-21 The ministry of Paul.
Mt 12:46-50 Mother and brothers of Jesus.

20 Fri
St. Simon Barsaba and the co-martyrs
Eph 4:7-12 (4:1-16) Charisms for the building up of the body of Christ.

2021 August
21 Sat 1 Jn 2:1-6 Christ is our mediator.  
Lk 21:5-6, 20-24 The fall of Jerusalem.  
**St. Pius X**  
1 Kgs 19:3-8 God who protects Elijah.  
Prov 9:1-5 Stupidity leads to destruction.  
1 Thess 2:2-4 We have been entrusted with the Gospel.  
Jn 21:15-19 Take care of my sheep.  

22 Sun *The Seventh Sunday of Kaitha*  
1 Thess 2:14-20(2:14-3:13) Participation in Christ’s suffering  

23 Mon *Death anniversary of Mar Joseph Irimpan (1997).*  
1 Jn 4:1-6 Discern the spirit of God.  
Mk 13:14-23 The time of great calamities.  

24 Tue *The Episcopal ordination of Mar Paul Chittilapilly (1988).*  
Jas 2:9-13 If you show partiality, you commit sin.  
Lk 14:1-6 Do good on Sabbath.  
**St. Bartholomew, the Apostle**  
Deut 18:15-19 A prophet like Moses.  
Is 22:15-22 A warning to Shebana who did the wrong.  
1 Cor 12:27-31 We are the body of Christ.  
Lk 6:12-19 Jesus chooses the Apostles.  

25 Wed Rom 14:7-9 Whether we live or die, we are the Lord’s.  
Mk 5:1-13 Relevance of parables.  

26 Thu 2 Thess 3:6-12 Do the work quietly and earn one’s living.  
Mk 13:10-17 Relevance of parables.  

27 Fri Rom 8:26-30 Spirit helps us in our weakness.  
Mk 10:13-16 Kingdom of heaven is for those like children.  

28 Sat 2 Thess 3:13-18 Do good to others.  
Mk 2:13-17 Physician is needed for the sick.  
**St. Augustine**  
Deut 10:12-17 Love God with your whole heart.
Wis 7:10-14 Share your wisdom.
2 Cor 5:14-21 Reconcile with God.
Mt 5:13-19 You are the light of the world and salt of the earth.
St. Euphrasia (29 Sunday)
Gen 12:1-4 God calls Abraham.
Sir 2:1-6 Trust in the Lord.
1 Thess 4:1-8 A life pleasing to God.
Mk 10:35-45 First among you must be servant of all.

**Season of Elijah – Cross – Moses**

This season points to the second coming of our Lord and the ultimate success of the cross. The central point of this period is the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross celebrated on 14th September. The early Church believed that Elijah would come before the second coming of Jesus Christ (Malachi 4:5). The fact that at the moment of transfiguration of our Lord, Elijah was present with Him strengthened this belief. The transfiguration of Jesus is a symbol of His second coming. The presence of Moses at the scene of transfiguration may have been the reason why this name is added to the Period of Elijah-Cross–Moses.

The main themes during this period are, the end of the world, death and the last judgement. It exhorts us to be always alert against the temptations of the devil and to eradicate sin from our lives.

The early Church believed that the sign that would appear in the sky before the second coming of Christ would be the Cross. Hence we specially remember and celebrate the power and glory of the Cross in this season. In addition, we come across references to the Emperor Constantine’s vision of the cross and the finding of the cross by his mother Helena, in the prayers and hymns of this season. Just as Moses extended his staff over the Red Sea and showed the path to Israel across the sea, Jesus has saved
humanity revealing the way to paradise through the cross. Referring to the tree of life in paradise and the bronze serpent raised by Moses in the desert, this season reminds us of the glory promised to us through the cross. Here we have a foretaste of the heavenly Church to come.

29 Sun  First Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses  
              (First Sunday of Elijah)  
         Is 31:4-9 (31:1-9) Jerusalem comes back to the Lord.  
         2 Thess 1:3-10 (1:1-10) Steadfastness and faith in all persecutions and afflictions.  
         Lk 18:35-43 (18:35-19:10) From the darkness to the light who is Christ.

30 Mon  2 Cor 12:1-6 I will not boast except of my weakness  
         Lk 12:35-40 Ever vigilant servants.

31 Tue  Gal 3:15-20 Law and promise.  
         Lk 9:23-27 A call to self denial.
September 2021
Season of Elijah–Cross–Moses

1 Wed  *Eight Days Lent begins*
Gal 4:8-11 Do not be the ministers of the powers of nature.
Lk 12:41-48 Be faithful and wise steward.

2 Thu  1 Pet 1:22-25 The Word of the Lord abides for ever.
Lk 17:20-37 The Coming of the Son of Man.

3 Fri  *First Friday*
*Patron’s day of Mar Gregory Karotemprayil.*
Rom 8:18-25 Wait for the glory which is to be revealed.
Lk 12:54-59 The signs of the end.

4 Sat  2 Pet 3:8-13 The day of the Lord will come unexpectedly.
Mt 13:44-51 The Kingdom of heaven.
**St. Theresa of Calcutta (5 Sunday)**
Jas 2:14-17 The faith that has no works, is dead.
Mt 25:31-40 See Christ in the needy.

5 Sun  ✠ *Second Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses*
(Second Sunday of Elijah)
Deut 7:7-11 Keep the commandments of God.
2 Thess 2:14-3:3 (2:14-3:18) Be firm in the tradition of the Apostles
Mt 13:1-9,18-23 (13:1-23) Bear fruit, hearing the Word of God.

6 Mon  Rev 7:9-17 Reward of the saints.
Mt 19:27-30 Hundred fold reward for those who left everything.

7 Tue  2 Tim 2:14-17a Come before God with worthiness.
Jn 16:20-24 Your sorrow will become happiness.

8 Wed  *Episcopal ordination of Mar Sebastian Vadakel (1998).*
**The Nativity of Our Lady**
Gen 17:15-22 (17:1-27) She is the mother of nations.
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Mk 8:11-21 Beware of the yeast of the Pharisees. |
| 10 Fri | *Death anniversary of Mar Joseph Kariatty (1786).*  
1 Pet 2:19-25 Endure during suffering  
Lk 13:6-9 The tree that does not bear fruit. |
| 11 Sat | *Episcopal Ordination of Mar Jose Chittooparambil (2010).*  
1 Pet 2:11-19 Abstain from the desires of the flesh.  
Mt 8:5-13 Those who are worthy of the heavenly banquet. |
| 12 Sun | **Third Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses**  
(Third Sunday of Elijah)  
Deut 7:12-16 (7:12-26) God fulfills his promise.  
Phil 1:12-25 For me life is Christ.  
Mt 13:24-30 (13:24-43) Heavenly kingdom, the field in which good seed is sown. |
| 13 Mon | Gal 5:13-15 You are called to freedom.  
Lk 8:22-25 Jesus calms the strom.  
**St. John Chrysostom**  
Eph 4:1-7,11-13 Service is to build up the Church.  
Mk 4:1-9 The sowed seed. |
| 14 Tue | **The Exaltation of the Cross**  
Num 21:4-9 Bronze serpent.  
1 Cor 1:18-25 (1:18-31) Cross, the sign of the power of God.  
*Death anniversary of Mar Clement Thottunkal (1991).*  
1 Thess 4:13-18 God will raise those who have fallen asleep.  
Mt 24:29-36 The coming of the Son of Man. |
| 16 Thu | *Episcopal ordination of Mar George Rajendran (2012).*  
1 Tim 1:12-17 Thanks for the grace of God.  
Mt 25:31-40 Last Judgment. |
17 Fri  Episcopal Ordination of Mar Joseph Kollamparambil (2013)
2 Tim 2:1-7 Good soldier of Christ.
Lk 4:31-37 Jesus expels demon.

18 Sat  Col 1:24-29 I complete in my flesh what is lacking in Christ’s afflictions.
Lk 15:1-7 The lost sheep.

19 Sun  Fourth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses
(First Sunday of Cross)
Episcopal Ordination of Mar Jose Kalluvelil (2015)
Deut 8:11-20 Those who forget God will perish.
Is 33:13-24 The Lord lives in Zion.
Mt 4:12-17 (4:12-5:16) Repent, the Kingdom of God is at hand.

20 Mon  First Monday of Cross
Phil 4:10-14 I can do anything through the One who strengthens me.
Mt 5:43-48 Love your enemy.

21 Tue  St. Mathew, the Apostle
Patron’s day of Mar Mathew Moolakkatt, Mar Mathew Vaniakizhakel, and Mar Mathew Arackal.
1Chr 29:10-19 Blessed be God for ever.
Ezek 1:1-14 The vision of Ezekiel.
Heb 11:23-26 Suffer for Christ’s sake.
Mt 9:9-13 Jesus chooses Levi as disciple.

22 Wed  2 Cor 13:5-10 Hold on to your faith.
Mt 21:18-22 Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith, you will receive.

23 Thu  2 Pet 2:20-22 Those who are entangled in the defilements even after knowing Christ.
Mt 11:11-19 The kingdom of heaven has suffered violence.

24 Fri  2 Pet 1:20-2:3 False prophets.
Mt 15:1-9 The tradition of the elders.

25 Sat  1 Thess 1:4-8 He has chosen you.
Lk 8:16-21 The lamp shall not be hidden.
26 Sun  **Fifth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses (Second Sunday of Cross)**
Deut 9:1-6 (9:1-8) Victory is the gift of God.
Is 25:1-8 Lord is the shelter and fortress.
Mt 17:14-21 (17:14-27) Everything possible for those who believe.

27 Mon  **Second Monday of Cross**
*Episcopal ordination of Mar Joy Alappatt (2014)*
1 Jn 5:13-21 Those born of God do not commit sin.
Jn 8:39-47 Those from God listen to the commandments.
**St. Vincent de Paul**
Deut 24:10-18 Be kind to the poor.
Is 42:1-9 The servant of the Lord.
1 Cor 1:26-31 God chooses us.
Mt 9:35-38 Jesus went about doing good.

28 Tue  **Tit 2:11-14 Await with hope.**
Mk 9:42-48 Do not cause one to sin.

29 Wed  **2 Thess 3:6-12 Be vigilant in doing good.**
Lk 9:1-6 Jesus sends the apostles.
**Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael**
*Patron’s day of Mar Raphael Thattil*
Rev 12:7-12 Michael and angels.
Jn 1:43-51 The angels ascending and descending.

30 Thu  **2 Tim 3:1-7 Days of the wicked.**
Mt 8:1-4 Jesus heals the leper.
**St. Jerome**
Deut 7:6-11 (7:1-11) You are a holy people.
Sir 24:12-17 Wisdom which took root in the portion of the Lord.
2 Tim 3:12-17 Holy life is God-inspired.
Mt 13:44-52 Parables about the kingdom of God.
October 2021
Seasons of Elijah-Cross-Moses and Dedication of the Church

1 Fri  
First Friday  
Tit 2:6-10 Be a model for good deeds.  
Lk 11:5-13 The power of prayer.  
St. Therese of Child Jesus  
Patron’s day of Mar Remigious Inchananiyil.  
Deut 32:8-12 The Lord is my portion.  
Eph 3:14-19 Christ’s love is our strength.  
Mt 18:1-5 Be like a child.

2 Sat  
2 Tim 4:6-8 The crown of justice.  
Mt 26:6-13 Pouring of oil at Bethany.  
Guardian Angel  
Acts 12:6-11 God saved me by sending his angel.  
Mt 18:10-14 Their angels continually see the face of God.

3 Sun  
Sixth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses  
(Third Sunday of Cross)  
Deut 9:13-24 God punishes the wrongdoers.  
Phil 4:4-9 (4:4-23) Rejoice, for the Lord is near.  

4 Mon  
Third Monday of Cross  
Phil 1:21-26 For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain.  
Mk 8:31-38 Jesus foretells His death and resurrection.  
St. Francis Assisi  
Patron’s day of Pope Francis.  
Deut 15:7-11 Help the poor.  
Is 6:1-7 Isaiah’s revelation.  
Gal 6:14-17 Crucified to the world for Christ.  
Mt 11:25-30 Jesus the comfortor of the afflicted.
5 Tue 2 Tim 2:21-26 Call on the Lord from a pure heart.
Mt 5:13-16 You are the salt of the earth and light of the world.

Heb 2:1-4 Those who reject salvation gets punishments.
Lk 20:20-26 Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s and to God the things that are God’s.

7 Thu 2 Jn 4-11 Stand firm in the teachings of Christ.
Jn 5:39-47 Jesus the word of eternal life.

8 Fri 2 Tim 1:1-7 God did not give us a spirit of cowardice.
Lk 21:7-19 By your endurance you will gain your soul.

Episcopal Ordination of Mar Joseph Srampickal (2016)
2 Tim 1:8-14 Do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord.
Lk 10:17-21 Rejoice that your names are written in heaven.

10 Sun Seventh Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses
(First Sunday of Moses)
Is 40:12-17 (40:1-17) God is great.
2 Cor 2:12-17 (1:23-2:17) We are the aroma of Christ to God.
Mt 20:1-16 God’s righteousness surpasses man’s justice.

11 Mon Tit 3:1-7 Practise the Christian Lifestyle.
Lk 10:38-42 Mary has chosen better part.

12 Tue Heb 4:1-11 Disobedience prevents from entering the rest.
Lk 11:14-23 Whoever is not with me is against me.

13 Wed 1 Cor 1:24-31 Foolishness of God.
Lk 11:24-26 The return of the evil spirit.

14 Thu Heb 10:1-10 Law, the shadow of good things to come.
Lk 9:28-36 They saw his glory.

15 Fri 1 Pt 3:1-7 Obligations of husband and wife.
Lk 20:27-40 He is the God of the living.
St. Theresa of Avila
Deut 11:13-17 Abide by the laws of the Lord.
Is 61:10-11 I rejoice in the Lord.
Col 2:20-3:4 I will be raised with Christ.
Jn 14:18-24 Love and the unity with God.

16 Sat  **Bl. Thevarparampil Kunjachan**
Gen 12:1-4 God calls Abraham.
Is 44:1-4 I will bestow my grace upon your children.
1 Pet 4:12-19 Live according to the will of God.
Jn 10:1-15 I am the good shepherd.
**St. Ignatius of Antioch (17 Sunday)**
2 Sam 22:31-35 The Lord is the shield of those who depend on Him.
Wis 3:1-6 The soul of the righteous is in God’s hands.
Rom 8:35-39 Nothing should separate us from the love of Jesus.
Jn 12:20-26 Fall and die as a grain of wheat.

17 Sun  ✡ **Eighth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses**
(Second Sunday of Moses)
Lk 8:41b-56 Your faith has made you well.
**Mission Sunday**
1 Cor 9:13-18 Woe to me if I do not proclaim the Gospel.
Mt 10:1-15 Jesus sends twelve apostles.

18 Mon  **Episcopal ordination of Mar Antony Kariyil (2015)**
Heb 10:19-25 We have a great priest over the house of God.
Mt 18:10-14 No one shall be lost.
**St. Luke, the Evangelist**
Tob 12:6-15 Declare to all people the deeds of God.
Sir 38:1-9 Doctor and healing.
Lk 10:1-9 Seventy disciples are sent.

19 Tue  Gal 6:11-18 Crucified to the world for the sake of Christ.
Lk 4:38-44 Healings at Simon’s house.

2021 October
20 Wed  Heb 11:11-22 The faith of the Fathers.
         Lk 11:37-42 The hypocrisy of the Scribes and Pharisees.

21 Thu Rom 14:10-13 Shall not judge your brother.
         Mt 25:1-13 The parable of the ten bridesmaids.

22 Fri  **St. John Paul II**
         *Episcopal Ordination of Mar John Vadakkel (2009)*
         Heb 2:5-9 He crowned man with glory and honour.
         Lk 16:1-8 Unjust but wise steward.

23 Sat  Heb 12:1-11 We are disciplined by God to take part in His holiness.
         Lk 9:18-20 The proclamation of faith by Peter.

24 Sun  **Ninth Sunday of Elijah-Cross-Moses**
         *(Third Sunday of Moses)*
         *Episcopal ordination of Mar Ephrem Nariculam (2014)*
         Deut 13:12-18 Do not let anything devoted to destruction stick to your hand.
         Is 41:8-16 (41:8-20) Do not be afraid, for I am your God.
         Mt 8:23-34 (8:23-9:9) Even the winds and the sea obey Him.

25 Mon  *Episcopal ordination of Mar Joseph Arumachadath (2008)*
         Heb 2:10-18 Jesus was made perfect by suffering.
         Mt 24:3-14 The beginning of trials.

26 Tue  1 Thess 4:9-12 Grow in loving one another.
         Jn 11:1-16 Let us go and die with him.

27 Wed  1 Cor 15:35-41 Body of the risen ones.
         Mt 25:14-30 Good and faithful servant.

28 Thu  *Episcopal Ordination of Pandarassery Mar Joseph (2006)*
         Heb 4:12-13 Word of God is living and active.
         Lk 9:46-48 Who is greatest?
         **Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles**
         Ex 15:11-13 The Lord is splendid in holiness.
         Wis 10:15-21 Wisdom will open the mouth of the dumb.
Eph 6:10-17 Gird your loins with truth and stand firm.
Jn 15:18-25 Jesus has chosen us.

29Fri  Episcopal Ordination of Mar Prince Antony Panengadan (2015)
Heb 10:11-18 The single sacrifice for the sins.
Mt 16:5-12 The leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

30 Sat  Jude 5-7 Judgement on false teachers
Jn 9:17-23 The Pharisees question the parents of blind man.

Seasons of Dedication of the Church and Annunciation

The last four weeks of the liturgical year belong to this season. Though there are different views regarding the origin of this season, the prayers indicate that it is the period of the dedication of the Church. In the beginning of this season, we remember Jesus offering the Church, His spouse, to the Father after the last judgement. At the end of the ages, the Church, with her children, meets her bridegroom in heavenly Jerusalem. It is a foretaste of the eternal bliss to come. Thus the liturgical year reminds us that the Christians are called upon to attain the eternal glory through the Church.

31 Sun First Sunday of Dedication of the Church
Mt 16:13-19 I will build my church on this rock.
November 2021
Seasons of Dedication of the Church and Annunciation

1 Mon  Episcopal ordinations of Mar Stephen Chirappanath (2016) and Mar Vincent Nellaiparambil (2019)
Jas 3:6-12 Control your tongue.
Lk 20:1-8 The authority of Jesus

Feast of All Saints
1 Jn 3:1-3 When Christ appears we shall see Him.
Mt 5:1-12 The Beatitudes.

2 Tue  Heb 6:1-6 Grow to maturity.
Lk 21:1-4 The offering of the widow.

Commemoration of the Dead
Ezek 37:1-14 Lord will make you alive.
2 Macc 12:38-45 The hope in the resurrection of the dead.
1 Cor 15:51-58 The dead will be raised imperishable.
Jn 11:17-27 Jesus is resurrection and life.

3 Wed  Jas 1:19-25 Keep the word
Lk 8:26-39 Jesus heals the evil-spirited man

4 Thu  Rev 3:8-13 Those who endure trials will get the crown.
Mt 9:35-38 Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers.

5 Fri  First Friday
1 Pet 1:13-20 Be holy as the one who called you.
Lk 19:1-10 Conversion of Zacheus.

Sts. Zachariah and Elizabeth
Col 1:21-23 Stability of Faith.
Lk 1:5-25 Lord’s mercy on Zachariah and Elizabeth.

6 Sat  Death anniversary of Mar George Alappat (1973)
Episcopal ordination of Mar Gratian Mundadan (1977)
Acts 10:9-16 Peter’s vision of the church.
Lk 5:1-11 From now on you will be catching people.
7 Sun  ✡ Second Sunday of Dedication of the Church

Next Sunday is World Day of Communication


1 Kgs 8:22-29 (8:10-29) Solomon’s prayer before the altar.

Heb 8:1-6 (8:1-9:10) We have a high priest seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty.

Mt 12:1-13 (12:1-21) The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath.


2 Cor 4:11-15 We are always being given up to death for Jesus sake.

Mt 19:16-22 If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments.

9 Tue  1 Cor 4:1-5 We are the servants of Christ.

Jn 6:47-53 Eternal life for the one who believes.

10 Wed  2 Cor 11:7-15 False Apostles.

Mk 10:28-30 Remuneration of following Jesus.

11 Thu  2 Cor 11:16-21 Paul’s sufferings as an apostle.

Lk 10:8-16 Whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.


Gal 4:12-20 I am in the pain of childbirth until Christ is formed in you.

Jn 14:1-7 Jesus is the way to the Father.

13 Sat  3 Jn 5-12 Whoever does good is from God.

Lk 22:24-30 The dispute about greatness.

14 Sun ✡ Third Sunday of Dedication of the Church

World Day of Communication (Special Collection)

Num 9:15-18 (7:1-10+9:15-18) The tent of the covenant is filled with the glory of God.


Jn 2:13-22 (2:12-22) The body of Christ is the temple.

15 Mon  Heb 13:9-16 Here we have no lasting city.

Lk 11:1-4 The prayer that Jesus taught.
16 Tue  Syro-Malabar Hierarchy was instituted (1924).
   Jude 17-25 Keep yourself in the love of God for eternal life.
   Lk 8:1-3 Women followers of Jesus Christ.

17 Wed  Col 3:22-25 Obey your earthly masters.
   Mt 16:21-28 When the Son of Man comes in the glory, he will repay.

   Rev 19:5-10 Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.
   Mt 22:1-14 Many are called, but few are chosen.

19 Fri  Rev 19:11-16 Christ, the king of kings.
   Jn 18:28-37 My kingdom does not belong to this world.

   Lk 9:10-17 Jesus feeds five thousand people.

21 Sun  ☠ Fourth Sunday of Dedication of the Church
   Death anniversary of Mar Sebastian Vayalil (1986)
   Feast of Christ, the King
   1 Kgs 6:11-19 (6:1-19) I will dwell among the children of Israel.
   Ezek 43:1-7 (43:1-7+44:1-5) The glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east.

22 Mon  Death Anniversary of Mar Mathew Vattakuzhy (2016)
   Episcopal ordination of Mar Sebastian Pozholiparambil (2017)
   Mt 6:19-21 Your heart will be there where your treasure is.

23 Tue  1 Thess 4:1-8 A life pleasing to God.
   Mk 5:25-34 If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well.

24 Wed  Heb 1:1-4 In these last days God has spoken to us by his Son.
   Mk 12:18-27 The question about resurrection.
25 Thu  1 Pet 1:3-7 Living hope.  
Jn 17:12-19 I speak these things so that they may have complete joy.

26 Fri  Rev 14:1-7 The Lamb standing on the mount Zion.  
Lk 19:45-48 Cleansing of the Temple.

27 Sat  1 Pet 4:1-10 Steward of God’s grace.  

28 Sun  **First Sunday of Annunciation**  
*Episcopal ordination of Mar Jacob Manathodath (1992)*  
Gen 17:15-22 (17:1-27) I will bless Sarah and I will give you a son by her.  

29 Mon  Gal 3:9-14 The just will live by faith  
Lk 9:37-43a The generation which has no faith

30 Tue  Rom 13:8-14 Awaken from the sleep  
Lk 1:18-20 Unbelief of Zachariah.  
**St. Andrew, the Apostle**  
*Patron’s day of Mar Andrews Thazhath*  
Gen 28:10-17 Dream of Jacob.  
Zech 8:20-23 Let us entreat for the favour of Yahweh.  
Rom 10:9-18 How great is the feet of the messengers of the Gospel.  
Mt 4:18-22 Jesus calls Andrew.

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2021 November
December 2021
Season of Annunciation – Nativity

1 Wed 25 days Lent begins.
1 Cor 1:4-9 God is faithful
Jn 8:26-30 Jesus is sent by the Father.

2 Thu 1 Tim 4:11-16 Be model in holiness.
Mt 24:45-51 Be vigilant.

3 Fri First Friday
Col 3:1-10 Seek the things that are above.
Mt 13:12-17 The purpose of the parables.
St. Francis Xavier
Deut 26:16-19 You are a holy people.
Is 45:20-24 There is no God besides me.
2 Cor 6:3-10 We are God’s servants.
Mk 6:7-13 Jesus sends out His disciples.

4 Sat Gal 3:1-9 Justification through faith.
Lk 9:57-62 Cost of discipleship.

5 Sun Second Sunday of Annunciation
Is 43:25-44:5 (43:14-44:5) God’s blessing on Israel.
Col 4:2-6 (4:2-18) Utilize the time fully.

6 Mon Eph 4:13-16 Grow into Christ.
Jn 14:11-14 For those who believe nothing is impossible.

7 Tue 1 Thess 5:5-11 Sons of the day
Lk 10:21-24 The persons who receive the divine revelation
St. Ambrose
Deut 7:1-11 You are a holy people.
Sir 15:1-6 The man of God received God’s wisdom.
2 Tim 4:1-8 The crown of righteousness.
Lk 14:25-33 Cost of discipleship.
8 Wed  **Feast of Immaculate Conception of Our Lady**  
Is 7:10-16 Virgin will give birth to a child.  
Heb 1:1-3+2:16-18 God’s son.  
Lk 1:46-55 (Mt 1:1-17+Lk 1:46-55) The Magnificat.  

9 Thu  **Death anniversary of Mar Louis Pazheparampil (1919)**  
Rom 12:9-18 Let your love be genuine.  
Lk 1:39-45 Mary visits Elizabeth.  

10 Fri  2 Cor 8:11-15 Be ready to help others.  
Lk 1:46-56 Magnificat.  

11 Sat  Heb 3:12-19 Do not go away from God.  
Lk 11:33-36 The light of the body.  

12 Sun  **Third Sunday of Annunciation**  
Gen 18:1-10 (18:1-19) A son is promised to Abraham.  
Lk 1:57-66 (1:57-80) Birth of John the Baptist.  

13 Mon  1 Cor 5:1-8 Leave the immorality.  
Lk 6:43-45 Be a tree which produces good fruits.  

14 Tue  Eph 2:1-10 Salvation is the gift of God.  
Mt 3:1-6 Kingdom of heaven has come near.  
**St. John of the Cross**  
1 Cor 2:1-10 Hidden and mysterious wisdom.  
Lk 14:25-33 Discipleship demands sacrifice.  

15 Wed  1 Thess 2:13-17 Fidelity to the word of God.  
Lk16:10-13 Be faithful to God.  

16 Thu  Gal 3:26-29 Those who have put on Christ.  
Lk 1:67-79 Canticle of Zachariah.  

17 Fri  Col 1:10-16 Lead a holy life.  
Mk 1:1-8 He who is more powerful than me comes after me.  

18 Sat  **The Miraculous Cross at Mylapore**  
Ex 17:4-6 Stream from the rock.  
Eph 2:14-22 Peace is through the Cross.  
Jn 14:1-6 Jesus the way, the truth and the life.
19 Sun  **Fourth Sunday of Annunciation**  
*Death anniversary of Mar John Menacherry (1919)*  
Gen 24:50-67 Isaac receives Rebekah.  
1 Sam 1:1-18 (1:1-28) Samuel’s birth and dedication.  
Eph 5:5-21 Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord.  
Mt 1:18-24 God’s intervention in birth of Jesus.  

20 Mon  Eph 6:18-20 Pray continuously.  
Jn 1:1-5 The Word was in the beginning.  

21 Tue  **The establishment of Syro-Malabar Hierarchy (1923)**  
Gal 4:1-7 You are adopted children of God.  
Jn 1:6-13 Jesus the true light was coming into the world.  

Jn 1:43-51 Nathanael meets Jesus.  

23 Thu  Rom 9:6-16 Word of God that never fails.  
Mt 5:17-20 Christ, the fulfilment of covenant.  

24 Fri  Heb 1:5-14 Messiah is superior to angel.  
Jn 7:25-31 Is this the Messiah?  

25 Sat  **Christmas – The Nativity of our Lord**  
*Day of Obligation.*  
Is 7:10-16+9:1-3,6-7 The young woman shall bear a son, and shall name him Immanuel.  
Mic 4:1-3,5:2-5,8-9 From you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel.  
Gal 3:15-4:6 In the fullness of time God sent his Son.  
Lk 2:1-20 The Birth of Jesus Christ.  

26 Sun  **First Sunday of Nativity**  
1 Sam 1:21-28 (1:19-28) Samuel is given to the Lord.  
Gal 4:21-5:1 Christ has set us free.  
**Feast of Holy Family**  
Gen 1:26-28 He created them male and female.  
Sir 3:1-9 The duties of the parents.  
Col 3:18-21 The family life in Christ.  
Mt 2:13-14,19-23 The flight to Egypt.
St. Stephen
*Patron’s day of Mar Stephen Chirappanath*
Acts 6:8-10+7:54-59 The martyrdom of St. Stephen.
Mt 10:16-22 Whoever holds out to the end will be saved.

27 Mon *Patron’s day of Mar John Vadakkel and Mar John Nellikunnel.*

**St. John, the Apostle**
Ex 33:12-23 (33:9-23) God is with the people.
Sir 15:1-6 The God’s servant will receive the rewards.
Rom 8:35-39 Who can separate us from the love of Christ?
Jn 21:20-24 The disciple whom Jesus loved.

28 Tue **Holy Childhood Day (The Infants’ Day)**
Gen 4:3-8 Cain murders Abel.
Jer 31:15-17 A voice of lamentation and weeping from Ramah.
Mt 2:13-18 The massacre of the infants.

29 Wed Col 3:12-17 Let the Words of Jesus abide in you.
Mt 2:1-12 Visit of Magi.

30 Thu Heb 5:11-14 Distinguish good from evil.
Mt 12:43-45 Return of the evil spirit.

31 Fri Col 1:1-9 Have a vision about the Will of God
Mt 9:27-31 Jesus heals the blind ones

**End of the Year**
1 Tim 6:6-12 We do not have lasting cities here.
Lk 13:6-9 Let us bear fruit.
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## Appendix II

### Common Readings for the Feasts of the Saints and other Occasions

#### I. Saints

1. **Holy Mary**
   - **A**
     - Gen. 3:1-19
     - Gen. 17:15-22
     - Ex. 40:32-38
   - **B**
     - Judg. 13:1-7
     - Pro. 3:13-18
     - Rut. 1:14-17
     - Jud. 15:8-13
     - Jud. 13:18-20
     - Son. 2:1-4
     - Is. 7:10-16
     - Zep. 3:14-20
     - Mic. 5:2-6
   - **C**
     - Act. 1:12-14
     - Rom. 8:26-30
     - Gal. 4:4-7
     - Eph. 1:3-12

2. **Martyrs**
   - **A**
     - Gen. 4:8-16
     - 1 Kig. 21:1-21
     - 2 Chor. 24:18-22
     - 2 Macc. 6:18-31
     - 2 Macc. 7:1-11
     - Is. 53:1-12
     - Dan. 3:18-22
     - Dan. 6:11-24
   - **B**
     - 1 Kig. 21:1-21
     - 2 Chor. 24:18-22
     - 2 Macc. 6:18-31
     - 2 Macc. 7:1-11
     - Is. 53:1-12
     - Dan. 3:18-22
     - Dan. 6:11-24
   - **C**
     - Act. 7:55-60
     - Rom. 5:1-5
     - Rom. 8:31-39
     - 2 Cor 4:7-15
     - 2 Cor 6:4-10
     - 2 Tim. 2:8-13, 3:10-12
     - Heb. 10:32-36
     - Jam. 1:2, 4, 12-13
     - 1 Pet. 3:14-17
     - 1 Pet. 4:12-19
     - Rev. 12:10-12
   - **D**
     - Mt. 10:16-25
     - Mt. 10:26-33
     - Lk 9:23-36
     - Jn. 12:24-26
     - Jn. 15:18-21
     - Jn. 17:11-19

3. **Priest - Saints**
   - **A**
     - Exc. 32:7-14
   - **B**
     - Is. 6:1-8
     - Is. 52:7-10
     - Is. 61:1-3
     - Jer. 1:4-9
     - Ezek. 3:16-21
     - Ezek. 31:11-16
   - **C**
     - Act. 20:17-38
     - Act. 26:19-23

4. **Fathers of the Church**
   - **A**
     - Dt. 6:1-15
     - Num. 27:15-22
   - **B**
     - 1 King. 3:7-14
     - Wis. 7:7-10, 15-16
     - Sir. 15:1-6
     - Sir. 39:8-14
   - **C**
     - 1 Cor. 1:18-25
     - 1 Cor. 2:1-10
     - 1 Cor. 2:11-16
     - Eph. 3:8-12

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Appendix II
5. Virgins

A
Dt. 11:10-15

B
Song. 8:6-7
Hos. 2:16-22

C
1Cor. 7:25-35
Rev. 19:5-9
Rev. 21:1-5

D
Mt. 19:3-12
Mt. 25:1-13
Lk. 10:35-42

6. Other Saints

A
Gen. 12:1-6
Lev. 19:1-2,17-18
Dt. 6:3-9
Dt. 10:8-9

B
1 Kgs. 19:4-15
1 Kgs. 19:16-21
Tob. 12:6-13
Sir. 2:7-11
Sir. 3:17-25
Is. 58:6-11
Jer. 20:7-9
Mic. 6:6-8

C
Act. 4:32-35
Rom. 8:26-30
1 Cor. 1:26-31
2 Cor. 10:17-11:2
Gal. 2:19-20

II. Other Occasions

1. Baptism

A
Gen. 12:1-4
Gen. 15:1-6
Gen. 17:1-8

B
Jos. 24:14-18
2 Kig. 5:9-15
Is. 44:1-8
Jer. 31:33-34
Ezek. 36:24-28
Ezek. 47:1-12

C
Act. 8:26-38
Rom. 6:3-11
Rom. 8:22-32
Rom. 8:35-39
1 Cor. 12:12-13
Gal. 3:26-28
Eph. 1:3-10
Eph. 4:1-6
Col. 3:9-17
Tit. 3:4-7
Heb. 10:22-25
1 Pet. 2:4-10
Rev. 19:1-9

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