



Holy Family Syro-Malabar Catholic Mission

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Liturgy

Every Sunday at 4:15 PM at:
Our Lady of Fatima church
1418 S 17th Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Weekdays

Mon - Fri at 6:00 PM
Sat - 9:00 AM at:
Father's residence
1st Friday - Qurbana &
Adoration at 6.30 PM

Detailed Schedule-Sunday

3:00 PM: Catechism for
Children
Rosary, Novena
Praise & worship

4:15 PM: Holy Qurbana

5:30 PM: Social Hour

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Finance Details

Income for Aug 9th & Aug 16th:
\$2280.00

Expenses: \$1564.26

Building Fund: \$1900.00

Total Church fund: \$25,146.95

Total Building fund: \$75,474.14

Thank you all for your contributions. Please note the suggested amount per month is \$50.00 for subscription and \$100.00 towards building fund

What is catechism? Why is it important

Many of us Christians have a silly tolerance which says that it makes no difference what you believe or practice as long as you try to live a good life. This attitude is all wrong. We must know what we believe and what we stand for. Catechism instruction is definitely a part of the church's obligation towards its young members. This obligation, in fact, is rooted in the very covenantal relation that exists between God and his people. Many of us parents ask this common question- Is it the church's task to indoctrinate children? May this task not be done at home or at the Christian school (when there is one)? The answer to that question is that it is most decidedly the church's business to indoctrinate its young members, since the young people of the church are included in the covenant which God makes with his people. We should live in the light of the fact that we are God's covenant people, his unique possession. The church, which administers baptism as a sign and seal of covenant membership, must, after baptism, assume the responsibility of training the covenant child into the understanding of his covenantal relationship, and of leading him to the acceptance of his covenant obligations. Baptism is the "sacrament of faith" in a particular way, since it is the sacramental entry into the life of faith. By its very nature infant Baptism requires a post-baptismal catechumenate. Not only is there a need for instruction after Baptism, but also for the necessary growth of baptismal grace in the child so that he may be prepared to receive the Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, and may live a full-orbed life of covenantal obedience and submission to the Kingdom of God. The catechism has its proper place here. The task of training the young in the doctrines of the church is therefore one of primary importance and parents have a very important role here.

What is the role of parents? Through the grace of the sacrament of marriage, parents receive the responsibility and privilege of evangelizing their children. They should associate them from their tender years with the life of the church. Parents have the mission of teaching their children to pray and to discover their vocation as children of God. As parents let us do our duty of sending our children for catechism regularly to our parish which is the Eucharistic community so that our children grow up into well-informed members of the church, a ready witness to the teaching of Christ and also live a Christian life in accordance with the principles taught by the catholic church.

We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us.....1 John 4:16

Announcements

- 1) Bible Study for the prayer meeting - Mathew-Chapter 4.
- 2) Registration forms for catechism are still available and registrations are still open for the new R.E scholastic year.

The **First Holy Communion and Confirmation** will be held on **October 18th 2009**.

Preparation classes for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation are conducted on Saturdays in the morning at Achans residence.

Annual Retreat

The annual retreat will be held on **September 25, 26 & 27** by **Fr. Alex Vachaparambil ofm.**

BIBLE FACTS

- 1. The Bible is now available in print in 2,223 languages.
- 2. There are over 168,000 new Bibles sold or given away every day.
- 3 There is a Bible in the University of Gotting written on 2,470 palm leaves.
- 4. If you read the entire Bible out loud from Genesis to Revelation it would take you approximately 70 hours.

BIBLE Quiz

- 1. According to Jesus, Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?
- 2. It is easier for a _____ to go through the eye of a needle, than for a _____ to enter the kingdom of God.
- 3. Jesus says, whoever follows him in the new age when the Son of man is seated on his throne of glory will be made to sit on _____ thrones judging the _____ tribes of Israel.
- 4. After driving out all who were buying and selling in the temple what does Jesus say about what is written about his house?
- 5. Jesus on returning to the city becomes hungry, he sees a tree with only leaves and no fruit and he says to it” No longer shall there be any fruit on you”? What kind of tree was it?
- 6. What according to Jesus is the greatest and foremost commandment?
- 7. In the Gospel of Mathew, Chapter 25 speaks about two parables. Name those parables?
- 8. The chief priests and the elders gather together in the court of a high priest to plot against Jesus. What was the name of the high priest?
- 9. At Bethany, a woman comes with expensive perfume and pours it on Jesus's head? At whose home was Jesus at that time?
- 10. Who was the disciple who betrayed Jesus?

Answers should be sent to the following email –id **newsletterhollyfamily@gmail.com**
Also please include your names in the mail.

Please send in the answers before 3 pm on following Saturday.

Questions (current issue): Taken from the gospel of St.Mathew

Answers-previous issue: 1.John the Baptist, 2.5 loaves and 2 fish, 3.Peter 4.Evil and Unfaithful, 5.Peter, 6.Honor your father and mother, 7.Teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees, 8.Moses and Elijah, 9.Twelve, 10. Seventy times seven.

Winner will be announced on the following Sunday through a draw.

Winner of the last issue: Josh Kottiri

New Parish Members

Hearty Welcome to all the newcomers. Members who have not yet registered are requested to contact Fr.Mathew Munjanatt or Mr. Thomas Chacko to fill in the **registration forms**.