



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 23rd & Aug

30th and Sep 6th: \$1848.01

Expenses: \$2943.55

Building Fund: \$500.00

Total Church fund: \$24,430.84

Total Building fund: \$76,574.14

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

Count your blessings

Most of us living in this country have a lot of good things in life but most of us are still not satisfied and are still unhappy. Why is this? We can find the answer to this question by reading 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 .It says Rejoice always, pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. In summary it means that we have to count are blessings and thank god for all of them. This is what lacks in each one of our lives today.

Joy and thanksgiving are inextricably linked together. Giving thanks helps us to realize our dependence upon Almighty God. Moses realized that God was involved in his life in all circumstances. Like Moses, we must learn to look beyond the immediate, offering prayer in every event of our life. A thankful person is a thinking person, thinking on the right things. A depressed person is also a thinking person, but conscious of only the problems. Unfortunately, if we think on our life's problems, the problems will intensify. We must not think only on the problem, but beyond the problem to the solution – through prayer. We have to count our blessings one by one. We find it easier to count and name our blessings when we believe that we are being blessed. We have to realize that whatever God is doing is for our help. What we are going to chose in life makes all the difference. Do we choose to believe in the problem or do we choose to believe in the solution? We are all so self centered that we can't seem to stop ourselves from thinking only on the negative perspective. The solution to this is to count our blessings and name them one by one .This will help us to force ourselves thinking from Gods perspective. The power for this lies in the relationship with God. We have to realize how important it is to have a relationship with God. Psalm 16:11 says that you will make known to me the path of life; In your presence is fullness of joy; In your right hand there are pleasures forever. We need to believe that Christ died so that we have access into God's presence.

Depression in our lives is common, but it can't remain that way always. The solution to this is counting our blessings. People are joyful when they are at peace. And we can be at peace when we realize how much God has blessed us. Let us therefore count our blessings and see how privileged we are compared to the millions of people in this world. Let us stop thinking of all negative things rather look at the positive side of our life and thank god for all tht he has given us.

Lord, let your face shine on your servant; save me in your steadfast love.....Psalm 31:16

Announcements

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

Preparation classes for the First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be conducted in the church on Sundays.

Annual Retreat

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

Building the Blocks

This is an initiative by our young members for raising fund for our new church.

Our kids will be given a booklet of BLOCKS with serial number in each block.

The kids can sell the BLOCKS for \$2 within the community.

There is no limit on the number of blocks that can be sold.

All the booklets and money collected are due back on Sunday October 11th.

The prizes will be drawn in the presence of the Bishop during his visit to Phoenix.

Prizes

1ST PRIZE - SONY Blu-ray Disc player

2ND PRIZE - Garmin nuvi 275 T 3.5" Touch screen GPS

3rd PRIZE - View Sonic 8" swif. Touch Digital Photo Frame

Prize for the kid selling the most number of tickets - Apple-iPod touch 8GB Black

BIBLE Quiz

1. Before the cock crows Peter denies Jesus. How many times does he deny Jesus?
2. How many pieces of silver did Judas Iscariot receive from the chief priests for betraying Jesus?
3. The chief priests took the pieces of silver returned by Judas and bought the Potter's field as a burial place for strangers. What is that field called?
4. What was the name of the person who was forced to help Jesus carry the cross?
5. After Jesus was crucified, about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice. What did he say?
6. Who was the man who went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus to bury it in his own new tomb?
7. Who were the two women who came to look for Jesus in his grave after the Sabbath?
8. After Jesus was crucified, the charge against him was put above his head. What was written on that?
9. About the ninth hour, Jesus cried out with a loud voice. Whom did he call out to according to the people who heard it?
10. Whom did the people want Pilate to release instead of 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. Whoever humbles himself like a child; 2. Camel, rich man; 3. Twelve, Twelve; 4. My house shall be a house of prayer, but you are making it a house of thieves; 5. Fig tree; 6. You shall love your God with all your mind, with all your strength, and with all your soul; 7. The parable of the ten virgins and the parable of the talents; 8. Caiaphas; 9. Simon the leper; 10. Judas.

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

Winner of the last issue: Alan George

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**.