



THE Voice

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Message from Parish Priest

Dear Parishioners,

In this month of September, as we celebrate the nativity of Mother Mary, I greet each and every one of you in the love of Mary our Mother. May she protect us in her mantle. Mother Mary is with each of us every day of our life guiding us like a shining star, showing us the path to Jesus Christ, the eternal light. When she heard that her cousin Elizabeth was carrying a child in her old age, she went in haste to meet her and greet her. To help her and serve her. To comfort her and encourage her.



Mary went not alone but carrying in her womb, the Word of God. The moment she entered Elizabeth's house, the whole house was filled with joy and the Spirit of God filled Elizabeth and the child leapt in her womb. This is our experience when Mary visits us. She does not visit us all alone but visits us with Jesus.

During this month, we also celebrate the Exaltation of the Cross. When Moses lifted the bronze serpent over the people, it was a foreshadowing of the salvation which we received through Jesus when He was crucified on the Cross in Calvary. The Cross is a triumphant symbol because of the sacrificial lamb that shed its blood on it. When we make the Sign of the Cross, we give our self to God in our entirety.

"The Council of Trent emphasizes the unique character of Christ's sacrifice as "the source of eternal salvation" and teaches that "his most holy Passion on the wood of the cross attained salvation for us." And the Church venerates his cross as she sings: "Hail, O Cross, our only hope." – CCC 617.

One of our identity as Catholics is the sign of Cross. Let not the cross remain only a symbol but more than that and beyond, let it be our way of life. It is through the Cross that we experience salvation, healing, reconciliation and life. Cross is not just about suffering. It is more about the triumph that results from suffering, because when our suffering is united with the wood of the cross of Calvary, our lives become one resurrected with Him. We shall always be the Easter people. People of Joy at every moment no matter what happens.

As I leave from this Parish, Dear brothers and sisters, I take this opportunity to thank His Excellency Bishop Paul Hinder, Fr. Paul the Custos, All my Co-Priests,

Parish Council Members, Prayer group leaders, my dear children and each one of my dear Parishioners.

The words of St. Paul "that is, that you and I may be mutually encouraged by one another's faith, yours and mine." (Romans 1: 12), had been my experience with you. My journey with you through the last four years were but one filled with faith, love and hope. I shall remember each of you in my prayers.

I request you to keep me in your prayers.

Yours in Christ,

With Prayers,

Fr. Ani Xavier OFM. Cap.



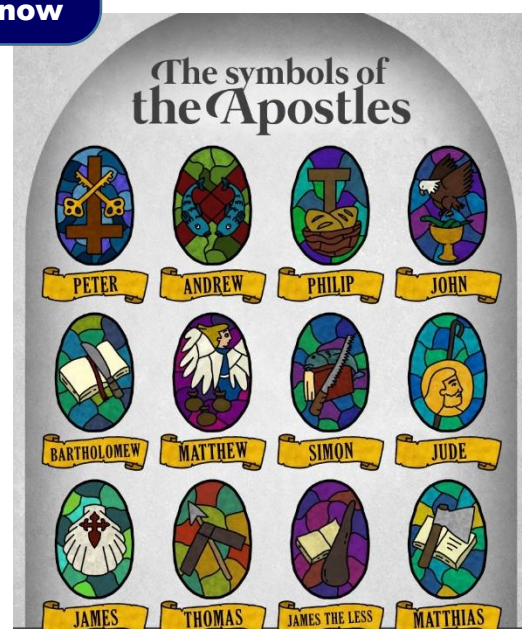
Fr. Maxim Cardoza OFM. Cap.

New Parish Priest will be installed
on 12 Sep 2019 by H.E Bishop Paul Hinder
during Holy Mass @ 7:15 p.m

Welcome



Do You Know



BIBLE QUIZ

1. Who were the first apostles called to follow Jesus?
2. Who wrote the Acts of the Apostles?
3. Who baptized Jesus?
4. What does "Emmanuel" mean?
5. What was the name of the angel who appeared to Mary?
6. Who was tempted to make bread out of a stone?
7. Which woman had her name changed by God to Sarah?
8. What was the goddess in Ephesus called who was worshipped the most?
9. Which spirit was in the possessed girl in Philippi?
10. Who was converted on the road to Damascus and later became one of the greatest missionaries in the New Testament?



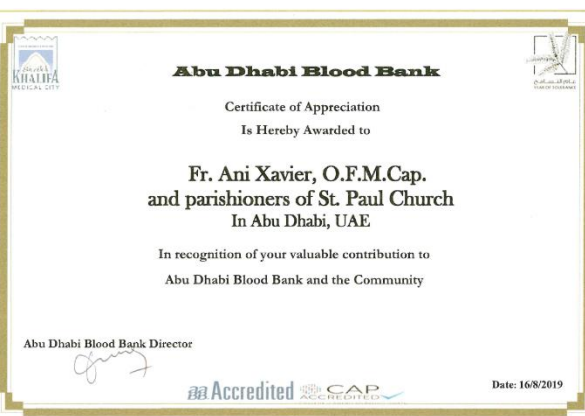
Bible Quiz Winners

August-2019

Congratulations!

1. Kayne Sudeep - Grade 6th
2. Joshua Aaron Rodrigues - Grade 3rd
3. Deron Lawrence - Grade 6th
4. Tesia Lawrence - Grade 4th

5 th Sep	Mother Teresa of Culcutta Feast	Church Events	14 th Sep	Exaltation of the Holy Cross Feast
8 th Sep	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Feast		15 th Sep	Our Lady of Sorrows
11 th Sep	Fr. Ani Celebrates his Thanksgiving Mass		18 th Sep	St Joseph of Cupertino
12 th Sep	Installation of New Parish Priest – Fr. Maxim Cardoza		20 th Sep	Catechism begins for the year 2019-2020
13 th Sep	Monthi Fest - Konkani community		21 st Sep	St. Mathew, Apostle Feast



Blood Donation Camp Held on 16-Aug-2019, 154 Parishoners Donated



Marriage Preparation Course In Malayalam 3rd Batch,



Konkani Community- Farewell to Fr. Ani Xavier held on 23-Aug-2019



G Net Christeen Retreat Held on 23, 24 & 25-Aug-2019



7th Legion of Mary Congress Held on 30-Aug-2019



Fr. Varghese Kozhippadan Birthday on 30-Aug-2019

Spiritual Summer Camp held on 19 Aug to 29 Aug-2019



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