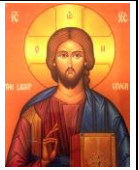




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# 2017 Schedule for Great Lent

## Holy Week Schedule:

Sunday, April 9 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am – Palm Sunday – Holy Qurbana w/ Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil 6pm – Evening Prayer with Devotional Address By Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil
Monday, April 10 <sup>th</sup>	7pm – Evening Prayer with Devotional Address by Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil
Tuesday, April 11 <sup>th</sup>	7pm – Evening Prayer with Devotional Address by Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil
Wednesday, April 12 <sup>th</sup>	7pm – Pesaha Evening Prayer & Holy Qurbana Celebrated by Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil
Thursday, April 13 <sup>th</sup>	7pm – Evening Prayer with Devotional Address by Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil
Friday, April 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am – Good Friday Service
Saturday, April 15 <sup>th</sup>	10am – Holy Saturday – Holy Qurbana Celebrated by Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil 6pm – Evening Prayer
Sunday, April 16 <sup>th</sup>	8:30am – Resurrection – Easter Service Celebrated by Rev. Fr. Saji Amayil



ABOUT OUR GUEST PRIEST: Fr. Saji Varghese (Thomas Varghese) Amayil has been lecturer at the Orthodox Theological Seminary since 2007. He began his theological education at the Orthodox Theological Seminary at Kottayam where he completed the Graduate in Sacred Theology (diploma) and Bachelor in Divinity degree. He earned his Masters in Theology from the Tamil Nadu Theological Seminary at Madhurai. His areas of teaching are Social Analysis, Christian Ethics, Theological Methodologies of the Margins, Justice Peace and Overcoming Violence, Women in Religion and Society, Creation, Ecology and Human Response Towards Inclusive Communities. Fr. Saji Amayil is also currently Secretary to the Orthodox Vaidika Sanghom and coordinator of Divyasandesham, the official organ of the Malankara orthodox church for media Evangelization. Fr. Amayil is also a member of the Parumala Seminary Council as well as the Managing Committee of the Malankara Orthodox Church.

### What is the purpose of Holy Week?

- Holy Week is an annual experience where Christians participate in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, the greatest event in human history.
- It is the culmination of forty days of fasting where we humble ourselves in order to draw closer to God.
- During this time of Holy Week, we walk through all of the events with Jesus and His disciples. And by meditating, praying, and reflecting on Jesus' words and actions, we hope to renew our lives in Christ. As Jesus says, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." (Matt 16:24)