



**Mar Raphael Thattil**

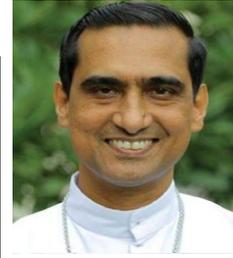
**Major Archbishop**

From 11.01.2024

## SYRO-MALABAR HIERARCHY

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**Mar Sebastian  
Vaniyapurackal**

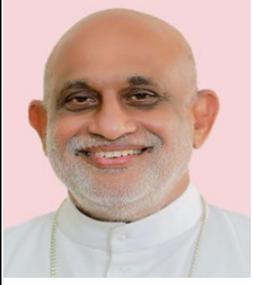
Curia Bishop

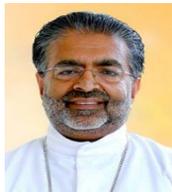
From 2017

### 1. BRIEF DESCRIPTION

<b>Syro-Malabar Church : Highlights</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- One of the 3 Catholic Rites in India</li> <li>- One of the 22 Catholic Rites of Easter Catholic Churches</li> <li>- One of the 23 Catholic Rites of Universal Church</li> <li>- The largest of the Saint Thomas Christian denominations</li> <li>- The second largest Eastern Catholic Church</li> <li>- The members of the Church are locally known as Surianis or Syrian Catholics or Roman</li> </ul>	
1	Head quarters of Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia	Mount St Thomas, Kakkanad P.O, Kochi, Kerala, India.
2	Establishment of Syro Malabar Hierarchy	on 21st December 1923 by the Bull "Romani Pontifices" by Pope Pius XI.
3	Establishment of Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Church	on 16th December 1992, by Pope John Paul II
4	First Major Archbishop of Syro-Malabar Rite	Mar Antony Cardinal Padiyara
5	Second Major Archbishop of Syro-Malabar Rite	Mar Varkey Cardinal Vithayathil
6	Third Major Archbishop	Mar George Alencherry
7	Fourth and Present Major Archbishop	Mar Raphael Thattil
8	Curia Bishop	Mar Sebastian Vaniyapurackal
9	Official Publication of Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia	Synadal News
10	Total Number of Syro-Malabar Archdioceses (including Kottayam)	5
11	No. of Syro-Malabar Archdiocese & Dioceses in Kerala	5 + 8 = 13
12	Number of Syro-Malabar Dioceses in Karnataka & Tamilnadu	5
13	Number of Syro-Malabar Mission Dioceses in India	13
14	Number of Syro-Malabar Dioceses outside India	4
15	Number of Syro-Malabar Apostolic Visitations outside India	2
16	Total Number of Syro-Malabar Dioceses including Archdiocese	37

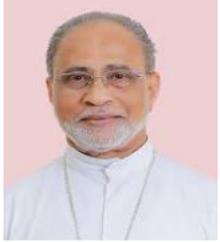
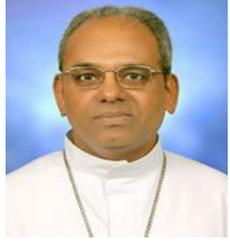
## 2. BISHOPS - IN KERALA

Archdiocese/Diocese	Arch Bishop / Bishop	Consecrated as Bishop	Photo of Bishop	
<b>A. Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese</b>				
	Ernakulam-Angamaly	Mar Raphael Thattil (Major Archbishop)	2010	
1a	Ernakulam-Angamaly	Mar Bosco Puthur (Apostolic Administrator)	2010	
2	Kothamangalam	Mar George Madathikandathil	2013	
3	Idukki	Mar John Nellikunnel	2018	
<b>B. Changanacherry Archdiocese</b>				
1a	Changanacherry	Mar Joseph Perumthottam (Metropolitan Archbishop)	2002 (In the diocese - 2007)	
1b	-do-	Mar Thomas Tharayil (Auxiliary Bishop)	2017	
2	Pala	Mar Joseph Kallarangatt	2004	

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3	Kanjirappilly	Mar Jose Pulickal	2016	
4	Thuckalay (Tamilnadu)	Mar George Rajendran	2012	
<b>C. Thrissur Archdiocese</b>				
1a	Thrissur	Mar Andrews Thazhath (Metropolitan Archbishop)	2004	
1b	Thrissur	Mar Tony Neelankavil (Auxiliary Bishop)	2017	
2	Palakkad	Mar Peter Kochupurackal	2020	
3	Irinjalakuda	Mar Pouly Kannoorkadan	2010	

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<b>D. Talassery Archdiocese</b>				
1	Talassery	Mar Joseph Pamplany	2017	
2	Mananthavady	Mar Jose Porunnedom	2004	
3	Thamarassery	Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil	2010	
<b>E. Kottayam Archdiocese</b>				
1a	Kottayam	Mar Mathew Moolakatt (Metropolitan Archbishop)	1999	
1b	-do-	Mar Jose Pandarassery (Auxiliary Bishop)	2006	
1c	-do-	Mar Gheevarghese Aphrem (Auxiliary Bishop)	2020	

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<b>3. BISHOPS - OUTSIDE KERALA</b>				
<b>A. Karnataka - Talassery Archdiocese</b>				
1	Belthangady	Mar Lawrence Mukkuzhy	1999	
2	Bhadravathi	Mar Joseph Arumachadath MCBS	2007	
3	Mandya	Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath	2002	
<b>B. Tamilnadu</b>				
1	Thuckalay (Changanacherry Archdiocese)	Mar George Rajendran	2012	
2	Ramanadhapuram (Thrissur Archdiocese)	Mar Paul Alapatt	2010	
<b>C. Mission Dioceses</b>				
<b>i) Within Latin Provinces:</b>				
1	Adilabad (Hyderabad / AP)	Mar Prince Antony Panengaden	2015	
2	Bijnor (Agra / Uttarakand)	Mar Vincent Nellaiparambil	2019	

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3	Chanda (Nagpur/Chhattisgarh)	Mar Ephrem Nariculam	2014	
4	Gorakhpur (Agra/UP)	Mar Mathew Nellikunnel CST	2023	
5	Jagdalpur (Raipur/Chhattisgarh)	Mar Joseph Kollamparampil	2013	
6	Rajkot (Gandhinagar / Gujarat)	Mar Jose Chittooparambil CMI	2010	
7	Sagar (Bhopal)	Mar James Athikalam MST	2018	
8	Satna (Bhopal/MP)	Mar Joseph Kodakallil	2015	
9	Ujjain (Bhopal/MP)	Mar Sebastian Vadakkal MST	1998	

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<b>ii) Exempt jurisdictions</b>				
1	Kalyan (Bombay / Maharashtra)	Mar Thomas Elavanal MCBS	1997	
2a	Faridabad (Delhi)	Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara	2012	
2b	-do-	Mar Jose Puthenveetil (Auxiliary Bishop)	2013	
3	Hosur (Tamilnadu)	Mat Sebastian Pozholiparambil	2017	
4a	Shamshabad (Hyderabad / Telangana)	Mar Joseph Kollamparambil (Administrator)	2022	
4b	-do-	Mar Thomas Padiyath (Auxiliary Bishop)	2022	

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<b>Mission Dioceses in outside India</b>				
1	Chicago Diocese (Chicago/USA)	Mar Joy Alapatt	2014	
2	Eparchy of Melbourne (Melbourne / Australia)	John Panamthottathil CMI	2023	
3	Eparchy of Great Britain (Britain/UK)	Mar Joseph Srampickal	2015	
4	Mississauga diocese (Canada) (Apostolic Exarchate from 2015 to 2018, Diocese from 2018)	Mar Jose Kalluvellil	2015	
<b>Apostolic Visitations (Outside India)</b>				
1	Europe	Mar Stephen Chirappanath Apostolic Visitor	2016	
2	Australia, New Zealand	Mar John Panamthottathil CMI	2023	