

# SYRO-MALABAR HIERARCHY



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**Mar Raphael Thattil**

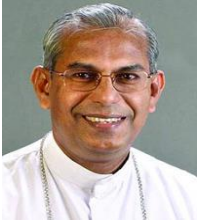

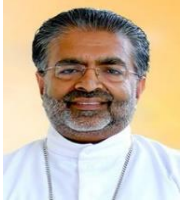

**Major Archbishop**  
From 11.01.2024


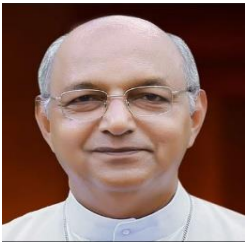

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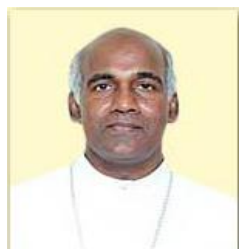
Syro-Malabar Church : Highlights		
<div>- One of the 3 Catholic Rites in India</div> <div>- One of the 23 Catholic Rites of Easter Catholic Churches</div> <div>- One of the 24 Catholic Rites of Universal Church</div> <div>- The largest of the Saint Thomas Christian denominations</div> <div>- The second largest Eastern Catholic Church</div> <div>- The members of the Church are locally known as Surianis or Syrian Catholics or Roman Catholic Syrian</div>		
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	Cardinal Mar Antony Padiyara
5	Second Major Archbishop of Syro-Malabar Rite	Cardinal Mar Varkey Vithayathil
6	Third Major Archbishop	Cardinal Mar George Alencherry
7	Fourth and Present Major Archbishop	Mar Raphael Thattil
8	Curia Bishop	-
9	Official Publication of Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia	Synadal News
10	Number of Syro-Malabar Archdioceses (including Kottayam)	Kerala-5, Outside Kerala-4, Total-9
11	Number of Syro-Malabar Archdioceses +Dioceses in Kerala (including Kottayam)	13
12	Number of Syro-Malabar Archdioceses +Dioceses outside Kerala	12
13	Number of Syro-Malabar Dioceses outside Kerala under Archdioceses in Kerala	6
14	Number of Syro-Malabar Dioceses outside India	4
15	Total Number of Syro-Malabar Dioceses including Archdiocese	<b>35</b>
16	Number of Syro-Malabar Apostolic Visitations outside India	2





## 2. BISHOPS - IN KERALA


Archdiocese/Diocese	Arch Bishop / Bishop	Consecrated as Bishop	Consecrated in the Diocese	Photo of Bishop	
A. Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese					
1	Ernakulam-Angamaly	Mar Raphael Thattil (Major Archbishop)	2010	2024	
1a	Ernakulam-Angamaly	Mar Joseph Pamplany (Vicar of Major Archbishop)	2017	2025	
2	Kothamangalam	Mar George Madathikandathil	2013	2013	
3	Idukki	Mar John Nellikunnel	2018	2018	
B. Changanacherry Archdiocese					
1	Changanacherry	Mar Thomas Tharayil (Metropolitan Archbishop)	2017	2017	
2	Pala	Mar Joseph Kallarangatt	2004	2004	
3	Kanjirappilly	Mar Jose Pulickal	2016	2020	
4	Thuckalay (Tamilnadu)	Mar George Rajendran SDB	2012	2012	

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<b>C. Thrissur Archdiocese</b>					
1a	<b>Thrissur (Trichur)</b>	Mar Andrews Thazhath (Metropolitan Archbishop)	2004	2007	
1b	Thrissur	Mar Tony Neelankavil (Auxiliary Bishop)	2017	2017	
2	Irinjalakuda	Mar Pouly Kannookadan	2010	2010	
3	Palakkad	Mar Peter Kochupurackal	2020	2020	










<b>D. Talassery Archdiocese</b>					
1	Talassery	Mar Joseph Pamplany	2017	2017	
2a	Mananthavady	Mar Jose Porunnedom	2004	2004	
2b	-do-	Mar Alex Tharamangalam (Auxiliary Bishop)	2022	2022	
3	Thamarassery	Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil	2010	2010	

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E. Kottayam Archdiocese					
1a	Kottayam	Mar Mathew Moolakatt (Metropolitan Archbishop)	1999	1999	
1b	-do-	Mar Jose Pandarassery (Auxiliary Bishop)	2006	2006	
1c	-do-	Mar Gheevarghese Aphrem (Auxiliary Bishop)	2020	2020	
3. BISHOPS - Outside Kerala under Archdioceses in Kerala					
A. Karnataka					
1	Belthangady	Mar Lawrence Mukkuzhy	1999	1999	
2	Bhadravathi	Mar Joseph Arumachadath MCBS	2007	2007	
3	Mandya	Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath	2002	2019	

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<b>B. Tamilnadu</b>					
1	Thuckalay (Changanacherry Archdiocese)	Mar George Rajendran	2012	2012	
2	Ramanadhapuram (Thrissur Archdiocese)	Mar Paul Alapatt	2010	2010	
3	Hosur (Tamilnadu)	Mat Sebastian Pozholiparambil	2017		
<b>4. BISHOPS - Outside Kerala under separate Archdiocese</b>					
<b>F. Kalyan Archdiocese</b>					
1	Kalyan (Bombay / Maharashtra)	Mar Sebastian Vaniyapurackal	2017	2025	
2	Chanda (Nagpur/Chattisgarh)	Mar Ephrem Nariculam	2014	2014	
3	Rajkot (Gandhinagar / Gujarat)	Mar Jose Chittooparambil CMI	2010	2010	

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G. Faridabad Archdiocese					
1	Faridabad (Delhi)	Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara	2012	2012	
1a	-do-	Mar Jose Puthenveettil (Auxiliary Bishop)	2013	2013	
2	Bijnor (Agra / Uttarakand)	Mar Vincent Nellaiparambil	2019	2019	
3	Gorakhpur (Agra/UP)	Mar Mathew Nellikunnel CST	2023	2023	
H. Ujjain Archdiocese					
1	Ujjain (Bhopal/MP)	Mar Sebastian Vadakkal MST	1998	1998	
2	Sagar (Bhopal)	Mar James Athikalam MST	2018	2018	
3	Satna (Bhopal/MP)	Mar Joseph Kodakallil	2015	2015	
4	Jagadapur (Raipur/Chattisgarh)	Mar Joseph Kollamparampil CMI	2013	2013	



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<b>I. Shamshabad Archdiocese (State territories outside the Jurisdiction of other Eparchies)</b>					
1a	Shamshabad (Telangana)	Mar Prince Antony Panengaden	2015	2024	
1b	-do-	Mar Joseph Kollamparambil (Auxiliary Bishop)	2022	2022	
1c	-do-	Mar Thomas Padiyath (Auxiliary Bishop)	2022	2022	
2	Adilabad (Hyderabad / AP)	Mar Joseph Thachaparambath, C.M.I	2025	2025	
<b>Mission Dioceses in outside India</b>					
1	Chicago Diocese (Chicago/USA)	Mar Joy Alapatt	2014	2014	
2	Eparchy of Melbourne (Melbourne / Australia)	John Panamthottathil CMI	2023	2023	
3	Eparchy of Great Britain (Britain/UK)	Mar Joseph Srampickal	2015	2015	
4	Mississauga diocese (Canada) (Apostolic Exarchate from 2015 to 2018, Diocese from 2018)	Mar Jose Kalluvelil	2015	2018	
<b>Apostolic Visitations (Outside India)</b>					
1	Europe	Mar Stephen Chirappanath Apostolic Visitor	2016	2016	
2	Australia, New Zealand	Mar John Panamthottathil CMI	2023	2023	