

SYRO-MALABAR HIERARCHY



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Mar Raphael Thattil

Major Archbishop

From 11.01.2024

1. BRIEF DESCRIPTION

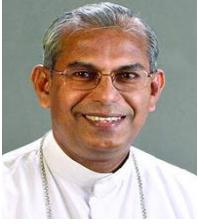
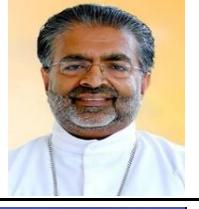
Syro-Malabar Church : Highlights

- One of the 3 Catholic Rites in India
- One of the 23 Catholic Rites of Easter Catholic Churches
- One of the 24 Catholic Rites of Universal Church
- The largest of the Saint Thomas Christian denominations
- The second largest Eastern Catholic Church
- The members of the Church are locally known as Surianis or Syrian Catholics or Roman Catholic Syrian

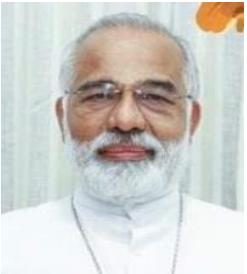
1	Head quarters of Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Curia	Mount St Thomas, Kakkanad P.O, Kochi, Kerala, India.
2	Establishment of Syro Malabar Hierarchy	on 21st December 1923 by the Bull "Romani Pontifices" by Pope Pius XI.
3	Establishment of Syro-Malabar Major Archiepiscopal Church	on 16th December 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	35
16	Number of Syro-Malabar Apostolic Visitations outside India	2

2. BISHOPS - IN KERALA

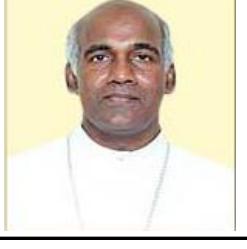
Archdiocese/Diocese	Arch Bishop / Bishop	Consecrated as Bishop	Consecrated in the Diocese	Photo of Bishop
A. Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese				
1 Ernakulam-Angamaly	Mar Raphael Thattil (Major Archbishop)	2010	2024	
1a Ernakulam-Angamaly	Mar Joseph Pamplany (Vicar of Major Archbishop)	2017	2025	
2 Kothamangalam	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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C. Thrissur Archdiocese				
1a Thrissur (Trichur)	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	

D. Talassery Archdiocese				
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	Bhadrapuram	Mar Joseph Arumachadath MCBS	2007	2007	
3	Mandya	Mar Sebastian Adayanthrath	2002	2019	

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B. Tamilnadu				
1 Thuckalay (Changanacherry Archdiocese)	Mar George Rajendran	2012	2012	
2 Ramanadhapuram (Thrissur Archdiocese)	Mar Paul Alapatt	2010	2010	
3 Hosur (Tamilnadu)	Mar Sebastian Pozholiparambil	2017		

4. BISHOPS - Outside Kerala under separate Archdiocese

F. Kalyan Archdiocese					
1	Kalyan (Bombay / Maharashtra)	Mar Sebastian Vaniyapurackal	2017	2025	
2	Chanda (Nagpur/Chhattisgarh)	Mar Ephrem Nariculam	2014	2014	
3	Rajkot (Gandhinagar / Gurarat)	Mar Jose Chittooparambil CMI	2010	2010	

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G. Faridabad Archdiocese				
1 Faridabad (Delhi)	Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara	2012	2012	
	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 Vadakkel MST	1998	1998	
2 Sagar (Bhopal)	Mar James Athikalam MST	2018	2018	
3 Satna (Bhopal/MP)	Mar Joseph Kodakallil	2015	2015	
4 Jagdalpur (Raipur/Chattisgarh)	Mar Joseph Kollampampil CMI	2013	2013	

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I. Shamshabad Archdiocese (State territories outside the Jurisdiction of other Eparchies)					
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	
Mission Dioceses in outside India					
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	
Apostolic Visitations (Outside India)					
1	Europe	Mar Stephen Chirappanath Apostolic Visitator	2016	2016	
2	Australia, New Zealand	Mar John Panamthottathil CMI	2023	2023	