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St. John the Baptist
Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church

13013 Fry Rd.
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Our Journey of Faith

St. John the Baptist Congregation was founded on December 9th, 2023, under the guidance and blessings of H.G. Dr. Thomas Mar Ivanios Metropolitan.

Rev. Fr. Rajesh K. John and Rev. Fr. Christopher Mathew were appointed by the Diocesan Metropolitan to lead and grow the congregation.

Our inaugural Holy Qurbana was celebrated on Saturday, December 9th, 2023, at St. Stephen's Coptic Orthodox Church, Cypress, TX, by Very Rev. Sakhariah Ramban.

From December 2023 to August 2024, services were held once a month at St. Stephen's Coptic Orthodox Church, Cypress, TX.

As our congregation continued to grow, we moved to Holy Qurbana twice a month.

Starting September 2024, we rented St. Paul's American Coptic Orthodox Church, Houston, TX and Holy Qurbana was held on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month.

With 10 families willing to become members of the church, we requested H.G. Dr. Thomas Mar Ivanios Metropolitan to grant us Parish status.

As of June 10th, 2025, our congregation has been officially granted Parish status by the diocese!

We were blessed to begin Sunday services starting August 1st, 2025 under the leadership of Rev. Fr. P.M. Cheriyan as Vicar and Rev. Fr. Christopher Mathew as Asst. Vicar.

Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchman stays awake in vain.

Psalms 127:1



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Our Vision

Building for Tomorrow, Rooted in Faith Today

Our vision is to build a beautiful Malankara Orthodox Syrian Church in North Houston. A sacred place where faith will flourish, hearts will be strengthened and lives will be transformed

Future Generations

A nurturing space for our children and youth to grow and learn in faith, through Sunday school and MGOCSM, engaging in activities and opportunities to build lifelong friendships rooted in Christ.

Senior Generations

A welcoming community for seniors to connect, stay active, and remain rooted in faith through fellowship, spiritual growth and meaningful activities.

One Church, One Family

A church where every generation worships, serves and grows together in faith, love and unity.

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Our Leadership

Clergy

Rev. Fr. P.M. Cheriyan (Vicar)
Rev. Fr. Christopher Mathew (Asst. Vicar)

Office Bearers

Alan Sam (Treasurer)
Serina Jacob (Secretary)
Dr. Danny Mathew (Jt. Secretary)

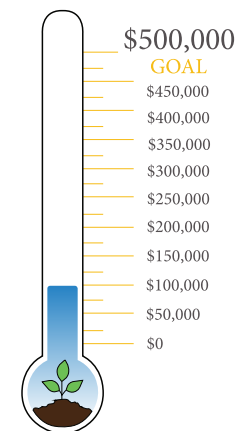
Building and Managing Committee

Samson Mathew	Jasmine Mathew	Renjit Kurien
Serina Jacob	Danny Mathew	Ashwin Thomas
Cheryl Alan	Merin Joseph	Merrill Mathew
Alan Sam	Nigel Puthottil	Mathew Abraham
Jacob Mani	Thomas Puthottil	

Sam Varghese (Project Manager)

Fundraiser Goal

All donations for the “Seed to Sanctuary Initiative”
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