**Syro-Malabar Catholic Church Calendar 2019**

**CRS Ricebowl**

**March 3rd First Sunday of the Great Fast**  *Petratha*

*The Great Fast begins*

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Exodus 34:27-35 (34:1-7,27-35) The fasting of Moses.

Isaiah 58:1-10 (58:1-12,14) The spirit of the true fasting.

Ephesians 4:17-24 (4:17-5:4,15-21) Put away your old self and clothe yourselves with a new self.

Matthew 4:1-11(3:16-4:11) Jesus overcomes temptation.

**March 10th Second Sunday of the Great Fast**

**Holy Qurbana Readings**

Genesis 5:19-31 Persons who lived with God.

Joshua 4:15-24 God dried up river Jordan for the people to pass.

Romans 6:15-23 (6:1-23) Newness of life in Christ through baptism.

Matthew 7:21-27(7:15-27) The true disciple.

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Week One: March 10th – March 17th

Featured Country: **Guatemala**

A Story of Hope: [Guatemala](https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-1)

Catholic Social Teaching Principal (CST) : Sacredness and Dignity of the Human Person <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/life-and-dignity-of-the-human-person.cfm>

CST 101 Video/ Life and Dignity of the Human Person

<https://www.crs.org/resource-center/cst-101-video-life-and-dignity-human-person>

**March 17th Third Sunday of the Great Fast**

**Holy Qurbana Readings**

Genesis 7:6-24 (7:1-24) Noah and family are saved.

Joshua 5:13-6:5 Joshua is near Jericho.

Romans 7:14-25 The fight against evil.

Matthew 20:17-28 The first among you must be the servant of the all.

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Week Two: March 17th – March 24th

Featured Country: Uganda

A Story of Hope: [Uganda](https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-2)

CST Principle: Option for the Poor

<http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/option-for-the-poor-and-vulnerable.cfm>

CST 101 Video/CRS: Option for the Poor and Vulnerable

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c3gxBjtOzNM>

**March 24th Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Genesis 11:1-9 (11:1-32) Tower of Babel and the punishment.

Joshua 7:10-15 (6:27-7:15) Punishment for the transgression.

Romans 8:12-17 (8:12-21) Heirs of God.

Matthew 21:33-44 (21:23-46) They are those who reject the Son of Man.

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Week Three: March 24th – March 31st

Featured Country: Sri Lanka

AStory of Hope: [Sri Lanka,](https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-3)

CST Principle: Call to Community, Family and Participation <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/call-to-family-community-and-participation.cfm>

CST 101 Video/ CRS: Call to Community, Family and Participation

<https://www.crs.org/resource-center/cst-101-video-call-family-community-and-participation>

**March 25th The Feast of the Annunciation**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Exodus 15:11-21(15:1-21); Micah 6:1-5; Jerermiah 31:13-17) The Lord of majesty and holiness.

Acts 1:11-14 Wait for the promise of the Father.

Hebrews 1:1-13 (1:1-13; 2:16-18) God has spoken through His Son.

Luke 1:26-38 The birth of Jesus foretold.

**March 31st Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Genesis 16:6-16 (16:1-16) Hagar is comforted by the Lord.

Joshua 9:16-27 Cleansing water and wood for fire.

Romans 12:1-11 (12:1-21) Present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

John 7:37-39,8:12-20 (7:37-52; 8:12-20) Jesus, the living water and light of the world.

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Week 4: March 31st – April 7th

Featured Country: **Sierra Leone**

A Story of Hope: [Sierra Leone](https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-4) <https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of->hope/week-4

CST Principles: Rights and Responsibilities

[www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/rights-and-responsibilities.cfm](http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/rights-and-responsibilities.cfm)

CST 101: Rights and Responsibilities

<https://www.crs.org/resource-center/CST-101?tab=rights-and-responsibilities>

**April 7th Sixth Sunday of the Great Fast**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Genesis 19:15-26 (19:1-7,9-26) God saves Lot from Sodom.

Joshua 21:43-22:5 (21:43-22:9) The Lord gave all the land to Israel.

Romans 14:13-23 Do not be a scandal to your brother.

John 10:11-18 (9:39-10:21) The Shepherd lays down his for the sheep.

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Week 5: April 7th – April 14th

Featured Country: **Gaza**

A Story of Hope: [Gaza.](https://www.crsricebowl.org/stories-of-hope/week-5)

CST Principal: The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Worker <http://www.usccb.org/beliefs-and-teachings/what-we-believe/catholic-social-teaching/the-dignity-of-work-and-the-rights-of-workers.cfm>

CST 101 Video/CRS: <https://www.crs.org/resource-center/cst-101-video-dignity-work-and-rights-workers>

*Great and Holy Week*

**April 14th Seventh Sunday of the Great Fast** *Osana*(Palm) Sunday

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

**Palm Sunday**

Genesis 49:8-12,22-26 (49:1-12,22-26) The scepter shall not depart from Judah.

Zechariah 9:9-12 (4:8-14; 7:9-10; 8:4-5,12-19; 9:9-12) The coming of Ruler of God’s people.

Romans 11:13-24 You have been cut from wild olive tree grafted into a cultivated olive tree.

Matthew 21:1-17 (20:29-21:22) Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

**March 29th Thursday of** *Pesha*

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Exodus 12:1-20 The first Passover instituted.

Malachi 1:10-14 Make a pure offering.

1Corinthians 11:23-29 The Institution of the Lord’s Supper.

John 13:1-14; Mt 26:26-30 Washing of the feet and Institution of Holy Qurbana.

**March 30th Friday of the Passion**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Genesis 22:1-19 Sacrifice of Abraham.

Isaiah 52:13-53 :9 A man of suffering and acquainted with infirmity.

Romans 5:6-16 Christ died for the ungodly.

Part I: Luke 22:63-23:12; Matthew 27:19 ; Luke 23:13-23; Matthew 27:24-25; Luke 23:24-45; Matthew. 27:51-54; John. 19:23-30 Passion of Christ.

Part II: John 19:31-42.

**March 31st Great Saturday**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Genesis 22:1-19 Sacrifice of Abraham.

Jonah 2:1-10 Jonah in the belly of fish for three days and three nights.

Romans 6:3-11 If we are united with Christ in a death like his,we will be united with Him in a resurrection like his.

Matthew 28:1-20 Good news of the Resurrection.

**April 1st Great Sunday of the Resurrection**

**Holy Qurbana Readings:**

Isaiah 60:1-7 The glory of God in Jerusalem.

1 Samuel 2:1-10 Rejoice in Christ.

Romans 6:1-14 (5:20-6:23) Dying and rising with Christ.

Matthew 28:1-6 Resurrection of Christ.