

ST. THOMAS INDIAN ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL, HOUSTON

SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR FOR 2026

	Date	Day	Time	Event/ Celebration
	January 1	Thursday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Circumcision of our Lord Jesus, St. Basil The Great, St. Gregorios of Nazianzus, New Managing Committee takes charge
	January 5	Monday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Denaha/Theophany; Baptism of our Lord Jesus; His Holiness Baselios Geevarghese II Catholicose (1/3)
	January 25	Sunday	8:00 AM	Pethurtha 3 Day Lent
	January 26, Monday - January 29 , Thursday - Nineveh Lent, 3 Days			
	January 25	Sunday	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Address
	January 26	Monday	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Address
	January 27	Tuesday	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Address
	January 28	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Conclusion of Nineveh Lent; Prophet Jonah
	February 1	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, All Departed Clergy / His Holiness Baselios Marthoma Mathews II Catholicose (1/26)
	February 1	Sunday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana,Mayaltho, Entry of our Lord Jesus into the temple
	February 8	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, All Faithful Departed
	February 16, Monday - April 5, Sunday - Great Lent, 50 Days			
	February 15	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Kothine/ Pethurtha/ Miracle of Cana;
	February 22	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, St. Dionysius Vattasseril & His Grace Thomas Mar Makarios (2/23)
	March 6, Friday - March 8, Sunday - St. Thomas Orthodox Convention & Parish Day Celebrations			
	March 6	Friday	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Gospel Convention Speech
	March 7	Saturday	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Gospel Convention Speech
	March 8	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana & Parish Day Celebration ( One Holy Qurbana)
	March 11	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Mid Lent/ King Abgar of Uraha / Feast of Holy Cross
	March 22	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Samiyo/ Healing the Blind Man, Catholicate Day Celebration
	March 24	Tuesday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Sooboro/ Annunciation to St. Mary
	March 26	Thursday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, 40th Day of Great Lent
	March 28	Saturday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Lazarus of Bethany
			6:00 PM	Evening Prayer of Palm Sunday
	March 29, Sunday - April 5, Sunday - HOLY WEEK			
HOLY WEEK	March 29	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Hosanna/ Palm Sunday Celebration
			7:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Message
	March 30	Monday	7:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Message
	March 31	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Message
	April 1	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Holy Qurbana, Pesaha/Passover/Maundy Thursday
	April 2	Thursday	7:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Message
	April 3	Friday	8:00 AM	Good Friday Service, Procession, Devotional Message, Choruka, Kanji
			6:00 PM	Evening Prayer & Vigil
	April 4	Saturday	9:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Saturday of Good News, All Departed Souls
			6:00 PM	Evening Prayer
April 5	Sunday	6:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Kyamtha & Easter Celebration, Memorial Pambady Thirumeni	
	April 12	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, New Sunday, Sunday of St. Thomas /Faith Declaration Sunday
	May 3	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, His Holiness Baselios Paulos I Catholicose (5/3)
	May 13	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Ascension of our Lord /Suloqo,Feast of St. Mary for the Corps (5/15)
	May 24	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Feast of Pentecost
	June 16, Tuesday - June 29, Monday - Apostles Lent, 13 Days			
	June 28	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Feasts of St. Peter & St. Paul, Feast of 12 Apostles
	July 3, Friday – July 5, Sunday - Feast of Saint Thomas - Chief Celebrant - Diocesan Metropolitan			
	July 3	Friday	6:30 PM	Evening Prayer & Devotional Message
	July 4	Saturday	10:00 AM	Church Annual Bazaar / Harvest Festival / Lunch
			6:30 PM	Evening Prayer, Devotional Message, Rasa/Procession around the Church, Benediction
	July 5	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Feast of Saint Thomas / Patron Saint
	July 12	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana,His Holiness Baselios Paulos II Catholicose (7/12)
	August 1, Saturday - August 15, Saturday - Assumption of St. Mary, Soonoyo Lent, 15 Days			
	August 5	Wednesday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Koodara Perunnal/ Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord/ Ethodamthale
	August 14	Friday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Assumption of St. Mary, Soonoyo/ Dormition of St. Mary, Soonoyo Lent ends
	September 1, Tuesday - September 8, Tuesday - 8 Day Lent			
	August 31, Sep 1, Sep 2, Sep 3, Sep 4 - 6.30 PM -Holy Qurbana, Intercessory Prayers, Nativity of the Theotokos / 8 Day Lent			
	September 6	Sunday	6.30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Intercessory Prayers, Nativity of the Theotokos / 8 Day Lent
	September 7	Monday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Intercessory Prayers, Nativity of the Theotokos / 8 Day Lent ends
	September 13	Sunday	6:30 PM	Holy Qurbana, Sleeba Perunnal/ Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
	October 4	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Seminary Day, Saint Baselios Eldho Catholicose (10/3)
	November 1	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Qudosh Idto/ Sanctification of the Church, St. Gregorios of Parumala,Beginning of the Liturgical Year.
	November 8	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Hudoth Idto,His Holiness Baselios Marthoma Mathews I Catholicose (11/8)
	November 22	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana,Sooboro, Feast of the Annunciation to St. Mary
	December 1, Tuesday - December 25, Friday - Advent Lent/ Nativity, 25 Days / Yeldho Perunnal			
	December 6	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Birth of John the Baptist, Children's Day, Intercessory Prayer Day
	December 13	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Revelation to Mar Joseph, His Holiness Baselios Augen I Catholicose (12/8) & His Grace Mathews Mar Barnabas (12/9), & Daniel Mar Philoxenos (12/13)
	December 20	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Martyrdom of St. Thomas the Apostle (12/21), His Holiness Baselios Geevarghese I Catholicose (12/17)
	December 24	Thursday	6:00 PM	Holy Qurbana, Christmas, Nativity of our Lord, Yeldho Perunnal
	December 26	Saturday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Feast of the Exaltation of St.Mary
	December 27	Sunday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, Feast Commemorating the Slaughter of the Infants
	December 31	Thursday	6:00 PM	Evening Prayer, Year End Meditation followed by Holy Qurbana
	January 1, 2027	Friday	8:00 AM	Holy Qurbana, New Year's Day 2027, New Managing Committee takes charge





“My Lord and my God!” John 20:28