

Charity Registration No. 1182359

# **The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK**

**Annual Report and Financial Statements  
For the Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

# **The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK**

## **Legal and Administrative Information**

### **Trustees**

His Eminence Cardinal Baselios Cleemis  
His Excellency Bishop Yoochanon Mar Theodosius  
Reverend Anil Madukkamottil Simon  
Reverend Kuriakose Madathirambil  
Reverend Johnson Mathew  
Reverend John Alex

### **Charity Number**

1182359

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**The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK**  
**Trustees' Report**  
**For the Period Ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021**

We are delighted to present the report of the Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK, for the financial year 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021, on behalf of the Trustees of the Charity.

**The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK**

The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK belongs to the Syro Malankara Catholic Church, one of the individual Churches in the Universal Catholic Church, headed by His Holiness Pope Francis. The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK is under the direct jurisdiction of His Eminence Cardinal Basellos Cleemis and His Excellency Bishop Yohanan Mar Theodosius serving as the Apostolic Visitor. The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK is a Charitable Incorporated Organization in England and Wales with the registration number – 1182359.

**Objectives and Activities**

Based on the constitution of CIO, all the money received by the trustees is to be used for the fulfilment of the objectives: the advancement of the Catholic Faith and Christian beliefs for the benefit of the public in accordance with the statements of beliefs of the Syro Malankara Catholic Church in particular by:

The organisation of the celebration of sacraments and religious services, prayer meetings, missions and similar events;

The provision of accommodation and other support for clergy (including in retirement) and other individuals engaged in the advancement of the Objectives;

- The advancement of education in accordance with the teaching of the Catholic Church and the training of individuals and groups and the production and distribution of literature and the broadcasting of information using modern media to enlighten others about the Catholic Faith;
- The relief of poverty and suffering and other such charitable purposes for the benefit of the public as are consistent with the doctrines of the Catholic Church;
- The acquisition, provision and maintenance of land and buildings to be used primarily for the above purposes, and also to be available for hire or use by other community groups;
- Any other related activities which support the promotion of Christian beliefs in the UK or overseas, including donations to individuals or organisations engaged in the promotion of the Christian Faith;
- Any other activities which in the opinion of the lawfully appointed Bishop of the Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK are necessary for the achievement of the objects of the Charity.

As the charity is in its beginning stage, the above objectives can be achieved by the planning and implementation of various activities in the future months. With the help of Rev. Priests, Malankara Council Members and volunteers, the trustees plan various activities and implement them. The charity is very grateful to all those who supported during the past year and acknowledge that without their help, it wouldn't have been possible to carry out the various activities conducted concerning the objectives of the charity.

The year 2020-2021 was another valuable step towards the growth of the Syro Malankara Catholic Church in the region of United Kingdom. Our Lord God Almighty showered His grace on us abundantly, some of which was visible through the formation of two more Missions in the region of the United Kingdom. Moreover, this year, the region was blessed with the visits of our beloved bishops which as always, infused positive energy among the faithful.

## **Achievements and Performance**

To achieve the aim of the charity, the trustees conducted various activities through the different Apostolate of the Church such as - Catechism, Youth Apostolate, Family Apostolate and Gospel Ministry Team (Suvisesha Sangam).

### **Activities for Children**

The Charity had arranged special activities throughout the year to support the spiritual and moral growth of the children. Sunday Schools are established in every Mission under the guidance of a Central Governing body. The academic year was divided into two terms with two-term examinations under supervision of central board.

#### **a. Biblia - Children's Camp @ home**

The Charity arranged 'Biblia - Children's Camp @ home Conference on 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020. To strengthen and motivate our children during this time we have planned two days online camp. The primary aim of the camp was to provide an opportunity for the children to have a better understanding of each other and thus build good relationships. Further, the camp provided a platform to enhance the children's spiritual understanding via comprehensive and well-structured online presentations based on Christian faith.

#### **b. Catechism Teachers Training**

With the theme of 'Transform, Lead, Inspire', the Catechetical Teacher's Training was arranged for the teachers. Teachers from the all Missions participated in the training sessions in order to get a proper understanding of Church teachings and improve their teaching skills.

#### **b. Best Sunday school Award**

Best Sunday School Award was instituted this year to encourage catechism children and teachers.

### **Activities for Youth**

#### **Malankara Catholic Youth Movement (MCYM)**

To strengthen the youngsters, the Charity promoted the formation of Malankara Catholic Youth Movement (MCYM) in the Mission centres. MCYM is an association of youngsters across the global Syro Malankara Catholic Church, with its focus on the development of the youths and their positive influence on Church and society. MCYM is working at the Unit, Regional and National level under the leadership of mission committee and central committee. The important aim of MCYM is the development of youth and their positive contribution for the development of the Society in general.

#### **a. Alpha 2020 Action plan Inauguration**

The event was held online on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June 2020.

#### **b. Kerygma Youth Retreat**

A two-day youth retreat Kerygma has held on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020. The virtually held retreat was for the youth in the UK, led by Rev Fr Daniel Poovannathil. It was primarily an opportunity to the youth to comprehend and explore solutions to the difficulties of leading a spiritual faith filled life in a notion gearing a secular life style.

#### **c. Ivanian 2020**

MCYM region of UK organised Ivanian a virtual event in commemoration of servant of God Archbishop Mar Ivanios on the 1<sup>st</sup> of August 2020. It was a national event held as a virtual competition between the subregions alongside individual participation from creative arts.

#### **d. Gloria**

The MCYM youth in the region of UK organized Gloria as a part of Christmas celebration. They gathered through a virtual zoom platform to celebrate Christmas. It was session filled with fun activities including ice breakers, Christmas carols and a mini quiz competition

#### **e. Lenten retreat**

A Lenten retreat was conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The retreat was conducted by Rev Fr Justin John Chempanal via zoom. As a young priest his perspective and talks were incredible relatable to the contemporary issues faced by our youth and provide convincing and philosophical answers to the challenging questions from the youth.

#### **Mothers Forum**

Mothers Forum (Mathru Samajam) functions with the following objectives: Pray and Charitable deeds. All married women in the parish are eligible for Mothers Forum membership. Mothers Forum is one of the most active pious organizations of the Church and contributes their talents for the spiritual growth of the parish very effectively. Realizing its importance, Mother's Forum has been formed in every Mission Center with an elected President, Secretary and Treasurer as its office bearers. Monthly family prayer meetings have been conducted since beginning and charity works are the areas which the group focuses. This has been exercised by the effective use of social media to keep in contact with each other regularly.

#### **UK Regional Assembly**

#### **Gospel Ministry Team**

"Go into the entire world and proclaim the Good News to the whole creation" (Mk.16:15). This is the missionary mandate of Jesus to the Apostles and the Church. Preaching the Gospel, therefore, is the prime duty of the Church. Evangelization is one of the objectives of the charity. It is the greatest need of the time to prepare the faithful to give witness to Jesus Christ by preaching the Gospel with a burning zeal in the Spirit. By virtue of baptism, every Christian is called to holiness and preaching of Gospel.

The gospel ministry programme meets regularly which included various spiritual awakening classes and meditations, Bible course, Liturgical studies, dogmatic studies, moral studies, Preaching Ministry, Church History and relevant subjects.

#### **Malankara Catholic Council of UK Meetings**

This year Malankara Council Members met online several times to discuss and plan various activities related with the Mission Centers in the United Kingdom.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK is Charitable Incorporated Organization (CIO) constituted by Declaration of a Foundation CIO dated on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK covers the whole of England with fifteen Mission centres; two in Scotland (Glasgow and Aberdeen) have been formed till to date. Various activities of the charity are implemented through these Mission centres. Following are the Mission centres:

1. Ashford, 2. Aberdeen, 3. Bristol, 4. Coventry, 5. Croydon, 6. East London, 7. Glasgow, 8. Gloucester, 9. Ipswich, 10. Liverpool, 11. Luton, 12. Manchester, 13. Northampton, 14. Nottingham 15. Sheffield 16. Southampton 17. West London. At present, the celebration of Holy Mass and other Sacraments are arranged on a regular basis with the support of local Roman Catholic diocese.

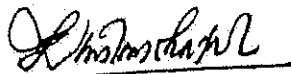
Trustees are supported by the Malankara Catholic Council of UK Members, who were elected from each mission center. They offer their services voluntarily for the growth of the charity. The Council meetings are held on a regular basis to plan and implement various activities and to monitor the whole operations. Towards the end of this financial year, in March 2021 the Holy synod of Syro Malankara Catholic church decided to assign a new post for Rev Anil Thomas Madukkamoottil back in his home country and Rev. Dr Kuriakose Thadathil had replaced his post of Ecclesiastical Co-ordinator in the United Kingdom on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2021.

Trustee who served during the period and up to the date of the financial statements were:

His Eminence Cardinal Basellos Cleemis  
His Excellency Bishop Yoohanon Mar Theodosius  
Reverend Anil Madukkamoottil Simon  
Reverend Kuriakose Madathilrambil  
Reverend Johnson Mathew  
Reverend John Alex

Even though the entire world and mankind had gone through an unusually difficult situation last year, Syro Malankara Catholic church UK had been continued its focus on its assignment towards the advancement of the Catholic Faith and Christian beliefs for the benefit of the public in the region of the United Kingdom. We raise our voices together to thank Lord God Almighty for all the blessings. We also extend our deep gratitude towards His Eminence Basellos Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos for the love and fatherly affection shown towards our families. We are proud and grateful to His Excellency Yoohanon Mar Theodosius for all the guidance and fatherly affection. Our priests have led the way for the faithful with prayerful insights and immense efforts. An appropriate conclusion to this report will be to acknowledge the unending prayers and commitment shown by the faithful with the power of Holy Spirit. We are also grateful for the support given by the government of United Kingdom for recognizing and acknowledging the works of this Charity.

For and on behalf of the Trustees of Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK



Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil

Trustee

Dated:.....22.02.2022.....

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of**  
**The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021 set out on pages Six to Ten.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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Rajesh Thomas

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Date.....



**Statement of Financial Activities**  
**For the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

  
Rev. Dr. Kuriyakose Thadathil  
Trustee

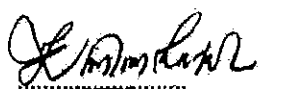
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Balance Sheet  
At 31 March 2021

	Notes	<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Fund</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Fund</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2021</u> <u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2020</u> <u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>					
Tangible Assets	1	-	-	3,950	4,938
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>					
Debtors		-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in Hand		32,133	-	32,133	32,678
		32,133	-	32,133	32,678
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due within one year	2	-	-	-	150
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)</b>		<b>32,133</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>32,133</b>	<b>32,528</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>32,133</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,083</b>	<b>37,466</b>
<b>CREDITORS</b>					
Amounts falling due after more than one year		-	-	-	-
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>32,133</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>36,083</b>	<b>37,466</b>
<b>FUNDS</b>					
Unrestricted Funds	3			35,883	37,286
Restricted Funds				200	200
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<b>36,083</b>	<b>37,466</b>

The financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on ..... and were signed on its behalf by

  
Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil  
Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

## The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

##### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

##### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

##### **Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost less estimated residual value of each asset over its estimated useful life.

Furniture and fittings	- 20% on reducing balance basis
Motor vehicles	- 20% on reducing balance basis

The Trustees have carried out a full impairment review in accordance with FRS11, as a result of which no depreciation charge is made in respect of freehold property on the grounds that the estimated residual value is not materially different from its carrying value in the Balance Sheet.

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **2. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS**

	2021	2020
	£	£
Other Charitable Activities incl- Kerala Flood -19	425	2,261
Fund Raising	-	1,173
Total	<u>425</u>	<u>3,434</u>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

**1. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	<b><u>Motor Vehicles</u></b> <b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>Fixtures &amp; Fittings</u></b> <b><u>(£)</u></b>	<b><u>Total</u></b> <b><u>(£)</u></b>
<b><u>COST</u></b>			
At 1 April 2020	4,500	1,672	6,172
Additions	-	-	-
Disposals	-	-	-
<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>1,672</b>	<b>6,172</b>
<b><u>DEPRECIATION</u></b>			
At 1 April 2020	900	334	1,234
Charge for the year	720	268	988
Elimination on disposal	-	-	-
<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>2,222</b>
<b><u>NET BOOK VALUE</u></b>			
<b>At 31 March 2021</b>	<b>2,880</b>	<b>1,070</b>	<b>3,950</b>
<b>At 31 March 2020</b>	<b>3,600</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>4,938</b>

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**Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>2. CREDITORS; AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR</b>		
Accrued Expenses	-	150
	-	150

**3. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1.4.2020 £	Net Movement in Funds £	Transfers between Funds £	At 31.03.2021 £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>				
General Fund	37,266	(1,383)		35,883
Others	-	-		-
	37,266	- 1,383	0	35,883
<b>Restricted Funds</b>				
Mothers Forum- Restricted	200	0		200
	200	-	-	200
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	37,466	- 1,383	-	36,083

Net movement in Funds, included in above are as follows

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended. £	Movement in Funds £
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>			
General Fund	39,371	40,754 -	1,383
Others	-	-	-
	39,371	40,754	(1,383)
<b>Restricted Funds</b>	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	39,371	40,754 -	1,383

**The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK**  
**Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2021**

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
	(£)	(£)
<b><u>Incoming Resources</u></b>		
<b>Voluntary Income</b>		
Offerory	9,862	15,138
Members Contributions	24,925	23,785
Liturgical Items		44
Catholics Day		
Holy Week	378	5,150
Special Events	2,382	12,637
National Convention	400	24,355
Mothers Forum- Restricted		1,330
	<u>37,946</u>	<u>82,439</u>
<b>Activities for Generating Funds</b>		
Other Charitable Activities incl- Kerala Flood -19	425	2,261
Fund raising		1,173
	<u>425</u>	<u>3,434</u>
<b>Other Incoming Resources</b>		
Rental Income	1,000	1,480
<b>Total Incoming Resources</b>	<u>39,371</u>	<u>87,353</u>
<b><u>Resources Expended</u></b>		
<b>Charitable Expenditures</b>		
Allowances (Mission Priest Incharge)	18,761	16,990
National Convention		23,298
Special Events	2,609	13,442
Insurance	465	618
Phone/Mob/Internet/TV	593	158
Pastoral- Visiting Priests	2,610	4,836
Repairs & Maintenance	2,896	3,360
Stationary/Printing/Administrative	1,042	1,274
Motor & Travelling Expenses	184	961
Other Charitable Expenses	1,583	1,840
Other Charities/Meetings	706	450
Utilities & Council Tax	3,065	3,067
Food, Grocery, House Holds & sundry	190	1,578
Rent	2,965	4,004
Holy week	180	5,141
MCYM		80
Catechism	259	822
Mothers Forum- Restricted		1,130
	<u>38,027</u>	<u>83,049</u>
<b>Fund Raising Expenses</b>		
Other Charitable Activities incl- Kerala Flood -19	1,739	2,161
	<u>1,739</u>	<u>2,161</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>		
Motor Vehicles	720	900
Fixtures and Fittings	268	334
	<u>988</u>	<u>1,234</u>
<b>Total Resource Expended</b>	<u>40,754</u>	<u>86,444</u>
<b>Net Income</b>	<u>- 1,383</u>	<u>909</u>