

Charity Registration No. 1182359

The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK

**Annual Report and Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31st March 2023**

The Syro Malankara Catholic Church UK

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**The Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK.
Trustees' Report
For the Period Ending 31st March 2023**

We are delighted to present the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK report for the financial year spanning 1st April 2022 to 31st March 2023 on behalf of the Charity's Trustees.

The Syro-Malankara Catholic Church U.K.

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 Baselios Cleemis Catholicos and His Excellency Bishop Yoochanon Mar Theodosius, serving as the Apostolic Visitor. The Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK is a C.I.O. (Charitable Incorporated Organization) in England and Wales with the registration number 1182359.

Objectives and Activities

Based on the constitution of a C.I.O., the money received by the trustees is to be used to fulfil the following objective:

"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".

This objective is achieved by the organisation of the celebration of sacraments and religious services, prayer meetings, and the provision of accommodation and other support for clergy (including in retirement).

This charity also supports other individuals engaged in the advancement of the following objectives:

- The advancement of education in accordance with the teaching of the Catholic Church. This is to be achieved through the training of individuals and groups, 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 activities and to be available for hire by other communities.
- Any other related activities supporting the promotion of Christian beliefs in the UK. or overseas, including donations to individuals or organisations engaged in promoting the Christian Faith.
- Any other activities which, in the opinion of the lawfully appointed Bishop of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK, are necessary to achieve the objectives of the Charity.

The year 2022-2023 was another valuable step towards the expansion of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church in the region of the United Kingdom. Our Lord God Almighty showered His grace on us abundantly, which was visible through the formation of our 20th mission centre in the region of the United Kingdom in Plymouth.

Achievements and Performance

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

Activities for Children

“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old, he will not depart from it”. - Proverbs 22:6

Annual Report for the Catechism Activities from April 2022 to March 2023

The Department of Central Catechism has successfully concluded another enriching year of religious education and spiritual development. The Catechism academic year falls between September and July. Throughout the year, various engaging activities were organised to foster a deeper understanding of the faith among our children. We focused on teaching the essential aspects of Catholic doctrine, morality and sacraments ensuring a comprehensive learning experience. Regular Catechism classes were conducted through interactive sessions, group discussions and multimedia presentations, creating a dynamic and immersive learning environment. Incorporated community-building initiatives such as prayer services, retreats, outreach activities, regional camp and Bible quiz competitions. Catechism day and teachers' day were celebrated in all mission centre. The Catechism students actively participated in the cultural programs and Holy Mass during the Feasts of the patron saint of their mission. First Holy Communion and Confirmation ceremonies were celebrated with great joy and reverence, marking significant milestones in the spiritual journeys of our catechism students. The dedication of our experienced Catechists and the active participation of students and their families contributed to the program's success. As we reflect on the year's achievements, we look forward to continuing our mission of nurturing strong, informed, compassionate individuals grounded in their Catholic faith.

Activities for Youth - Malankara Catholic Youth Movement (M.C.Y.M.)

The Malankara Catholic Youth Movement is the youth movement that organises various activities for the young generation. The Central Secretariat, elected for the 2022-2024 term, began its duties on 17/10/2022, under the guidance of Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil and Rev. Dr. Louis Charuvila Puthenveedu. Notable events include a memorable two-day residential Youth Camp, a prayer meeting for the late Miss Jeena Mathew, leading the Holy Rosary, conducting Sports Days, and successful online events such as a Christmas Montage video and the 'IGNITE' Lenten Retreat. The MCYM, commemorating Servant of God Mar Ivanios, conducts Ivanian Prayer Meetings every two months. Acknowledging the leadership transition, with Rev. Fr. Jibu Mathew now as the director, and expressing gratitude to Rev. Dr. Louis Charuvila Puthenveedu, the MCYM Central Secretariat emphasises weekly meetings and the formation of an MCYM Senate to elect office bearers, fostering passion and unity among youths for the greater glory of Lord Jesus Christ in the United Kingdom. In closing, we seek intercession from Mother Mary, St. Francis of Assisi, and all saints for the continued growth of MCYM as a strong and vibrant movement.

Mothers Forum

Mothers Forum (Mathru Samajam) has the following goals: Prayer and Charitable deeds. All married women in the parish are eligible for Mothers Forum membership. Mothers Forum is one of the most active and pious apostolates of the Church and contributes its talents for the spiritual growth of the parish very effectively. Mothers Forum has been established in every mission centre with an elected president, secretary and treasurer as its office bearers. This apostolate leads a weekly prayer service via an online platform, including recitation of the Holy Rosary and evening prayer. A one-day Lenten retreat was conducted on 19/02/2023. Many members attended the retreat, and a spiritual talk was given by Sr. Ann Maria, a famous Evangelist in the UK. Mothers Forum has always been at the forefront of supporting programmes conducted in the church for the youth and catechism students. Along with their prayers, they wholeheartedly support the organisers in all possible ways. Active participation in the church choir, teaching Catechism, and preparing food for mission members on various occasions are just a few roles they undertake.

Gospel Ministry Team (Suvisesha Sangam)

"Go into the entire world and proclaim the Good News to the whole creation" (Mk.16:15).

The Syro-Malankara Catholic Suvisesha Sangam is a holy movement, or a renewal movement based on the spirituality of the Malankara Catholic Church to proclaim, celebrate and live the Good News. The members of the Suvisesha Sangam should follow 25 spiritual ways of life based on the spirituality of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, precisely: Liturgy of the hour, Sacraments, especially Holy Qurbano and confession, Lent, abstinence, fasting, Bible reading, meditation, prayer, spirituality based on self-sanctification and a life of witnessing.

The gospel ministry programme meets regularly, which includes various spiritual awakening classes and meditations, Bible courses, Liturgical studies, dogmatic studies, moral studies, preaching ministry, Church history and other relevant subjects. In November 2022, H.E. Most Rev Antony Mar Silvanos did the face-to-face session as part of the formation of the Gospel Ministry Team.

Malankara Catholic Council of U.K. Meetings

The Syro-Malankara Catholic Council UK Members met seven times in this financial year, of which four were in-person and three were online, to discuss and plan various activities related to the missions in the United Kingdom. The National Council operates under the strong leadership of Rev Dr Kuriakose Thadathil, president of the council. During each national council meeting and executive committee meeting, presidential addresses were conducted, and the national council was updated on the status of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church in the UK. At this point, the national council members were allowed to share their views on the development of the Church. The matters raised were discussed extensively during the meetings and potential action steps were developed from the discussion. Under the direct leadership of the National Council members, the following activities were organised; the Walsingham Pilgrimage, Commemoration of Servant of God Mar Ivanios and preparation of National Convention (2023).

Structure, governance, and management

Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK is a C.I.O. constituted by declaration of a foundation C.I.O. dated 6th March 2019. The Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK covers the whole of England and Wales with 18 mission centres and 2 in Scotland (Glasgow and Aberdeen) have been formed to date. Various activities of the Charity are implemented through these missions:

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|----------------|------------------|
| 1. Aberdeen | 11. Ipswich |
| 2. Ashford | 12. Liverpool |
| 3. Belfast | 13. Luton |
| 4. Bristol | 14. Manchester |
| 5. Cardiff | 15. Northampton |
| 6. Coventry | 16. Nottingham |
| 7. Croydon | 17. Plymouth |
| 8. East London | 18. Sheffield |
| 9. Glasgow | 19. Southampton |
| 10. Gloucester | 20. West London. |

At present, the celebration of Holy Mass and other sacraments is arranged regularly with the support of the local Roman Catholic diocese.

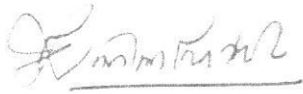
The Malankara Catholic Council of the UK supports the trustees. The elected members from each mission offer their services voluntarily to grow the Charity. The Council meetings are held regularly to plan and implement various activities and monitor the operation.

The trustees who served during the Period and up to the date of the financial statements were:

- His Eminence Cardinal Baselios Cleemis Catholicos
- His Excellency Bishop Yoohanon Mar Theodosius
- Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil
- Rev. Dr. Louis Charuvila Puthenveedu
- Rev. Fr. James Elangikal
- Rev. Fr. Kuriakose Thiruvailil
- Rev. Fr. Lukose Kannimel
- Rev. Fr. Linu Thankachan

The Syro-Malankara Catholic Church UK has continued to 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 to thank Lord God Almighty for all the blessings. We also extend our deepest gratitude to His Eminence Baselios 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 his guidance and fatherly affection. Our priests have led the way for the faithful with prayerful insights and immense effort. We are also grateful for the support given by the government of the United Kingdom in recognising and acknowledging the work of this charity. To conclude this report, we would like to acknowledge the unending prayers and commitment shown by the faithful with the power of the Holy Spirit.

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



Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil

Trustee

Dated: 31 / 01 / 2024

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 2023 set out on pages Six to Eleven.

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").

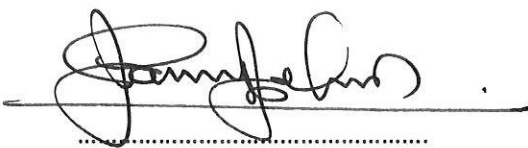
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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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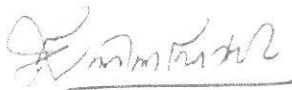
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**Statement of Financial Activities
For the Year Ended 31 March 2023**

		Unrestricted	Restricted	2023	2022
		Fund	Fund	Total Funds	Total
Notes		(£)	(£)	(£)	(£)
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds					
		88,836	370	89,206	66,953
		3,436	-	3,436	1,520
		735	-	735	100
		93,007	370	93,377	68,573
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Costs of Generating Funds					
		75,892	-	75,892	49,845
		4,201	-	4,201	2,295
		-	-	-	-
		632	-	632	790
		80,726	-	80,726	52,930
NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS					
		12,281	370	12,651	15,643
		-	-	-	-
		12,281	370	12,651	15,643
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
		51,526	200	51,726	36,083
		63,807	570	64,377	51,726



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Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil
Trustee

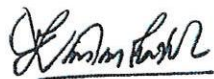
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**Balance Sheet
At 31 March 2023**

		<u>Unrestricted</u> <u>Fund</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Restricted</u> <u>Fund</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2023</u> <u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>2022</u> <u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>
	Notes				
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	1	2,528	-	2,528	3,160
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors		-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in Hand		61,849	-	61,849	48,566
		61,849	-	61,849	48,566
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	2	-	-	-	-
NET CURRENT ASSETS / (LIABILITIES)		61,849		61,849	48,566
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		64,377	-	64,377	51,726
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year		-	-	-	-
NET ASSETS		64,377	-	64,377	51,726
FUNDS					
Unrestricted Funds	3			63,807	51,526
Restricted Funds				570	200
TOTAL FUNDS				64,377	51,726

The financial Statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 25/1/24 and were signed on its behalf by



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Rev. Dr. Kuriakose Thadathil
Trustee

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

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

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other Charitable Activities	3436	1520
Fund Raising	-	-
Total	<u>3436</u>	<u>1520</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

1. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Motor Vehicles</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Fixtures & Fittings</u> <u>(£)</u>	<u>Total</u> <u>(£)</u>
<u>COST</u>			
At 1 April 2022	4,500	1,672	6,172
Additions			-
Disposals	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	4,500	1,672	6,172
<u>DEPRECIATION</u>			
At 1 April 2022	2,196	816	3,012
Charge for the year	461	171	632
Elimination on disposal	-	-	-
At 31 March 2023	2,657	987	3,644
<u>NET BOOK VALUE</u>			
At 31 March 2023	1,843	685	2,528
At 31 March 2022	2,304	856	3,160

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Notes to the Financial Statements - continued for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
2. CREDITORS; AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
Accrued Expenses	-	-
	-	-

3. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.2022 £	Net Movement in Funds £	Transfers between Funds £	At 31.03.2023 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Fund	51,526	12,281		63,807
Others	-	-		-
	51,526	12,281	-	63,807
Restricted Funds				
Mothers Forum- Restricted	200	370	-	570
	200	370	-	570
TOTAL FUNDS	51,726	12,651	-	64,377

Net movement in Funds, included in above are as follows

	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expended. £	Movement in Funds £
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	93,007	80,726	12,281
Others	-	-	-
	93,007	80,726	12,281
Restricted Funds	370	-	370
TOTAL FUNDS	93,377	80,726	12,651

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Detailed Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

	2023	2022
	(£)	(£)
<u>Incoming Resources</u>		
Voluntary Income		
Offertory	26,291	20,696
Members Contributions	42,745	29,570
Gift Aid		8,168
Catechism	460	999
Christmas Carol service	1,265	340
Holy Week	6,596	1,689
Special Events	11,080	5,491
National Convention	400	-
Mothers Forum- Restricted	370	-
	89,206	66,953
Activities for Generating Funds		
Other Charitable Activities incl	3,436	1,520
Fund raising	-	-
	3,436	1,520
Other Incoming Resources		
Rental Income	735	100
Total Incoming Resources	93,377	68,573
<u>Resources Expended</u>		
Charitable Expenditures		
Allowances (Mission Priest Incharge)	28,610	24,627
Special Events	10,916	5,129
Insurance	755	-
Phone/Mob/Internet/TV	467	491
Pastoral- Visiting Priests	2,400	2,575
Repairs & Maintenance	2,124	1,318
Stationary/Printing/Administrative	931	1,055
Motor & Travelling Expenses	3,190	240
Other Charitable Expenses	1,952	1,261
Other Charities/Meetings	191	-
Utilities & Council Tax	3,331	1,637
Food, Grocery, House Holds & sundry	6,719	2,476
Rent	8,964	7,145
Holy week	2,386	889
Bank charges	290	35
Catechism	1,896	533
Christmas Carol Service	770	435
Mothers Forum- Restricted		-
	75,892	49,845
Fund Raising Expenses		
Other Charitable Activities incl	4,201	2,295
	4,201	2,295
Depreciation		
Motor Vehicles	461	576
Fixtures and Fittings	171	214
	632	790
Total Resource Expended	80,726	52,930
Net Income	12,651	15,643