



# SACRED HEART KNANAYA CATHOLIC PARISH, CHICAGO INFANT BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION

(Based on approved text of Syro-Malabar Church)

*The ceremony begins at the main door of the church. The godparents and others come with the child, and stand in front of the door. മുൻപു നടത്തിയ മാമ്മോദീസായിലെ തൈലം അവിടെ കരുതിയിരിക്കണം. വിശുദ്ധ മൂറോൻ, ജലം തിരി, തീപ്പെട്ടി, വെള്ളവസ്ത്രം ബൈബിൾ, മുടി എന്നിവയും കരുതണം. ശിശുവിന്റെ മാമ്മോദീസാപേരൂ ചോദിച്ചറിയണം.*

*(ദിവ്യബലി ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ)*

**കാർമ്മി:** അന്നാ പെസഹാ തിരുനാളിൽ  
കർത്താവരുളിയ കൽപനപോൽ  
തിരുനാമത്തിൽ ചേർന്നീടാം  
ഒരുമയോടീബലി അർപ്പിക്കാം.

**സമു:** അനുരജ്ഞിതരായ് തീർന്നീടാം  
നവമൊരു പിറമൊരുക്കീടാം  
ഗുരുവിൻ സ്നേഹമൊടീയാഗം  
തിരുമുന്വാകെയണച്ചീടാം.

**CEL:** Glory to God in the highest.

**ALL:** Amen.

**CEL:** Peace and hope to people on earth, always and forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**CEL:** Our Father in heaven

**ALL:** Hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth / as it is in heaven. Give us this day the bread we need / and forgive us our debts and sins / as we have forgiven those who offended us. Do not let us fall into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For, Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Our Father in heaven, heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Angels and people sing out Your Glory; Holy, holy, holy are You.

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

**CEL:** Lord God, admit this child, Your servant, to the fold of Your sheep and enlighten him (her) with Your grace. Being reborn by water and the Holy Spirit may this child become worthy to call You "Father". Strengthen us, who are weak, so that we may administer this sacrament worthily. The Father,

the Son and the Holy Spirit, Lord of all, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

### Psalm 42

**CEL:** As the deer longs for flowing streams, so my soul longs for you, O God.  
(Canon) "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter the kingdom of God".

**ALL:** My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and behold the face of God?

**CEL:** Why are you cast down, O my soul, And why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, My help and my God.

**ALL:** My soul is cast down within me, Therefore I remember thee From the land of Jordan and of Hermon, From Mount Mizar.

**CEL:** By day the Lord commands his steadfast love; and at night his song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.

**ALL:** Why are you cast down, O my soul, and why are you disquieted within me? Hope in God; for I shall again praise Him, My help and my God.

**CEL:** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** From eternity and forever. Amen.

**CEL:** (Canon) "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter the kingdom of God."

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

*The celebrant, extending his right hand over the head of the child, and with the palm downwards, says the following prayer:*

**CEL:** Lord, You who said: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and it will be opened to you", fulfill this gracious promise in this servant. You have given Your gift not only to the wise and to the intelligent, but also to children. Your mercy has led this child to the waters of baptism.

You have enabled him (her) to a new life by a spiritual birth. May this servant, who now be-comes a member of Your mystical body, grow bodily and spiritually by the reception of the sacraments. Together with this child, we thank you for the gift given to this servant. Now and always a<sup>1</sup> (*blesses the child*) and for-ever.

**ALL:** Amen.

*The celebrant asks the following questions and the godparents answer for the child:*

**CEL:** Do you desire to be freed from the slavery of Satan?

**ANS:** I do.

**CEL:** Do you abandon sin and the ways of sin?

**ANS:** I do.

**CEL:** Do you accept Jesus Christ as your Savior?

**ANS:** I do.

**First Anointing**

*The first anointing is done with the blessed oil of the previous baptism.*

**CEL:** In the name of the Father and of the Son (*Anoints the forehead of the child with the oil*) and of the Holy Spirit, (*Name of the child*) is anointed with the holy oil.

**ALL:** Amen.

*All go in procession to the Bema. The following psalm may be sung during the procession.*

**(സങ്കീർത്തനം 84)**

സൈന്യങ്ങൾ തൻ കർത്താവേ  
എത്ര വിശിഷ്ടം നിൻ ഗേഹം  
നിൻ തിരുസന്നിധി ചേരാനായ്  
ആത്മാവെന്നും കേഴുന്നു.

ജീവിപ്പവനാം ദൈവത്തിൻ  
അപദാനാമൃത ഗാനങ്ങൾ  
മാമക ചിത്തവും എൻ നാവു  
മോദമൊടേവം പാടുന്നു.

സൈന്യങ്ങൾ തൻ രാജാവാം  
ദൈവത്തിൽ ബലിപീഠത്തിൽ  
കരകിൽ - മീവൽ പക്ഷികളും

സങ്കേതം കണ്ടെത്തുന്നു.

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

**CEL:** Lord, our God! When the sweet fragrance of Your love / wafts over us / and when our souls are enlightened / with the knowledge of Your truth, may we be found worthy / to receive Your beloved son / as He appears from the heaven. May we also glorify You / and praise You unceasingly in Your Church, crowned like a spouse / with every goodness and grace. For You are the Lord / and creator of all for-ever and ever.

**ALL:** Amen.

സർവാധിപനാം കർത്താവേ,  
നിന്നെ വണങ്ങി നമിക്കുന്നു  
ഈശോനാഥാ, വിനയമോടെ  
നിന്നെ നമിച്ചു പുകഴ്ത്തുന്നു.

മർത്യൻ നിത്യമഹോന്നതമാ-  
മൃതമാനം നീയരുളുന്നു  
അക്ഷയമവനടെയാത്മാവി-  
ന്നത്തമരക്ഷയുമേകുന്നു.

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

**CEL:** My Lord, You are truly the one who raises our bodies. You are the savior of our souls / and the preserver of our lives. We are bound always to thank, adore, and glorify You, / the Lord of all, for-ever.

**ALL:** Amen.

ശബ്ദമുയർത്തിപ്പാടിടുവിൻ,  
സർവ്വരുമൊന്നായിപ്പാടിടുവിൻ  
എന്നെന്നും ജീവിക്കും,  
സർവ്വേശ്വരനെ വാഴ്ന്നിടുവിൻ.

പരിപാവനനാം സർവ്വേശാ,  
പരിപാവനനാം ബലവാനെ  
പരിപാവനനാം അമർത്യനേ,  
നിൻ കൃപ ഞങ്ങൾക്കേകണമേ.

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

**CEL:** Glorious, Mighty, Immortal, and Holy God! You who are pleased to dwell in the holy ones! We beseech You! Look upon us, pardon us, and show us compassion / according to Your nature. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Lord of all, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**FIRST READING**

**READER:** Brothers and sisters, be *seated* and lis-

ten attentively. A reading from the book of .....  
**READER:** (*Bowing to the celebrant*) Bless me, my Lord.

**CEL:** May God + bless you.  
Genesis 12:1-4 / Ezekiel 36:24-28  
*(At the end of the reading)*

**ALL:** Praise be to the Lord, our God.

**SER:** Let us stand to sing the *Suraya*.

**കാർമ്മി:** (*ഗാനം*) അംബരമനവരതം,  
ദൈവമഹത്വത്തെ, വാഴ്ത്തിപ്പാടുന്നു.

**സമൂഹം:** ദിവ്യാത്മാവിൻ ഗീതികളാൽ,  
ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ ഗീതികളാൽ  
കർത്താവിൻ തിരു സ്നാനത്തിൻ  
നിർമ്മലമാകമനുസ്മരണം,  
കൊണ്ടാടാം, ഇന്നീ വേദികയിൽ.

**കാർമ്മി:** തൻകരവിരുതല്ലോ,  
വാനവിതാനങ്ങൾ, ഉദ്ഘോഷിക്കുന്നു.

**സമൂഹം:** ദിവ്യാത്മാവിൻ ...

**കാർമ്മി:** പകലുകൾ പകലുകളോ,  
ടവിരതമവിടുത്തെ, പുകളുരചെയ്യുന്നു.

**സമൂഹം:** ദിവ്യാത്മാവിൻ ...

**കാർമ്മി:** നിത്യപിതാവിനും,  
സുതനും റൂഹായ്ക്കും, സ്തുതിയുണ്ടാകട്ടെ.

**സമൂഹം:** ദിവ്യാത്മാവിൻ ...

**കാർമ്മി:** ആദിയിലെപ്പോലെ,  
ഇപ്പൊഴുമെപ്പോഴും, എന്നേക്കും ആമ്മേൻ.

**സമൂഹം:** ദിവ്യാത്മാവിൻ ...

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

**CEL:** O Lord, sovereign, knowing everything. You are the source of every grace / and blessing for all in Your household. We beseech You to look upon us, bless us, and show us mercy in accordance with Your nature! The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Lord of all forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**SECOND READING**

**READER:** Brothers and sisters, a reading from the

letter of St. Paul to the .....  
Romans 6:3-11 / Galatians 3:26-29

**READER:** (*Bowing to the celebrant*)  
Bless me, my Lord.

**CEL:** May Christ + bless you.

*(All sit. A server stands near the reader with a lit candle.  
At the end of the reading)*

**ALL:** Praise be to the Lord, our God.

ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ പാടീടുന്നേൻ  
ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ

നല്ലോരാശയമെൻ മനതാരിൽ  
വന്നു നിറഞ്ഞു തുളുമ്പിടുന്നു

രാജാവിൻ തിരുമുമ്പിൽ കീർത്തന  
മധുവായ് ഞാനതൊഴുകീടട്ടെ

ഏറ്റമനുഗ്രഹ പൂരിതനാംകവിതൻ  
തുലികപോലെൻ നാവിപ്പോൾ

താതനമതുപോൽ സുതനും  
പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവിനും സ്തുതിയുയരട്ടെ

ആദിമുതൽക്കേയിന്നും നിത്യവും  
മായി ഭവിച്ചീടട്ടെ ആമ്മേൻ.

ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ പാടീടുന്നേൻ  
ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ ഹല്ലേലൂയ്യാ

**CEL:** (*in a low voice*) Jesus Christ! The light of the world and the life of all! Glory be to the eternal mercy that sent You to us. Forever. Amen.

*(The celebrant takes the Gospel and goes to the Bema in procession, accompanied by two bearers of candles and incense).*

**CEL:** (*in a low voice*) Christ Our Lord! Enlighten us in your laws, inflame our minds with your knowledge, and sanctify our souls with your truth so that we may be faithful to your words and obedient to your commandments. The Lord of all, Forever. Amen.

**SER:** (*At the end of the pre-gospel hymn*) Let us stand and listen attentively to the Holy Gospel.

**CEL:** Peace (+) be with you. (+ *Blesses using the Bible*).

**ALL:** With you and with your spirit.

**CEL:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, proclaimed by St. ....

John 3:1-8 / Mathew 3:13-17

**ALL:** Glory to You Christ, Our Lord.

*(At the end of the reading)*

**ALL:** Glory to You, Christ, our Lord.

## HOMILY

### KARUZUTHA

**SER:** Offering to the Lord this child, now becoming a son (daughter) of God through baptism, let us pray saying: "Lord, have mercy us."

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** Lord, You who said that we will not enter the kingdom of God without being born again by water and Spirit, give this child the grace to become a son ( daughter) of God by rebirth through baptism, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** Lord, You who received baptism in the river Jordan and showed us the example of humility, give this servant the grace to live, doing Your will, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** Lord, You who died, was buried, and rose up gloriously for us, bless this child, dead to sin and come to a new life, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** That this child, desirous of being the temple of the Holy Spirit, be led along the path of holiness, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** That this child, called to be a member of the Church, be adorned with all spiritual and earthly blessings, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** That the parents and godparents of this child be blessed to raise him (her) ) as the hope of the parents, light of the family, and a good citizen of the country, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** For the well being of our Holy Father Pope, (Name) the head of the universal Church of Christ, the Major Archbishop, (Name) ..., the head and father of our Syro-Malabar Church, father and Bishop of our diocese, Mar (Name) and for all other Bishops and their fellow-ministers, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, have mercy on us.

**SER:** Let us commend ourselves and one another / to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Lord, Our God, we commend ourselves to You.

**CEL:** Lord, You who have asked us to preach to all nations, making disciples of them and baptizing them, help us obey Your command. May the Church, You have commissioned to build the Kingdom of God on earth, be blessed to fulfill Your will through us. May Your salvific day, on which the whole humankind is united and assembled under one shepherd and one sheepfold, come soon. Let this sacrament we administer be, by the power of the Holy Spirit, the door to eternal life for the child. Lord of all, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**SER:** Bless us, O Lord. Brothers and sisters, bow your heads for the imposition of hands and receive the blessing.

**CEL:** Lord God, extend Your merciful right hand over the universal and apostolic Church. Protect it from every danger, visible and invisible. In Your compassion make us worthy to minister in Your presence with devotion, diligence, and purity.

Merciful God, bless us. Grant that all of us, as one body, may properly please You throughout our lives, by works of justice that reconcile us with You. Make us worthy to offer You never-ending praise, homage, thanksgiving, and adoration. The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Lord of all, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

### Profession of Faith

**CEL:** We believe in One God, the Father Almighty,

**ALL:** Creator of all things visible and invisible,/ and in one Lord Jesus Christ,/ the only begotten Son of God,/ the first born of all creatures,/ born of the Father before all ages,/ and not made,/ true God from true God,/ consubstantial with his Father. Through Him the worlds were formed/ and all things were created.

For the sake of us men and for our salvation/ He came down from heaven;/ and became incarnate by the Holy Spirit/ and became man,/ and was conceived and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered and was crucified/ in the days of

Pontius Pilate/ died and was buried;/ and on the third day rose again/ as it is written.

He ascended into heaven/ and sits at the right hand of his Father./ He will come again/ to judge the dead and the living./

We believe in one Holy Spirit;/ the spirit of truth,/ who proceeds from the Father (and the Son)/ the life, giving Spirit.

We believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church./ We confess one baptism/ for the remission of sins./ the resurrection of the body,/ and life everlasting./ Amen.

*All go to the baptistery in procession. During the procession the following hymn may be sung.*

ഗീതം

വാഴ്ചിപ്പാടാം കർത്താവിൻ  
പാവനമാകും തിരുനാമം  
സീമാതീത മഹത്വം നാം  
സാദരമെന്നും കീർത്തിക്കാം.

പാതയൊരുക്കാനാഗതനാം  
യോഹന്നാനിൽ നിന്നീശോ  
യോർദ്ദാൻ നദിയിൽ വിനയമോടെ  
മാമ്മോദീസാ കൈക്കൊണ്ടു.

ജ്ഞാന സ്നാന ജലത്താലേ  
നിർമ്മലരാക്കുക ഞങ്ങളെ നീ  
നിത്യം ദൈവിക തിരുനാമം  
മഹിമയണിഞ്ഞു വിളങ്ങട്ടെ.

*After reaching the baptistery*

**SER:** Dear brothers and sisters, the celebrant starts praying for himself in preparation for administering holy baptism that gives the divine life. Standing in reverence and diligence, let us now pray in silence.

**CEL:** Lord, You who seek out the lost and gather up the scattered, have chosen this humble servant for priestly ministry in Your Church. Fulfilling all righteousness you received baptism from John the Baptist from Jordan, and also appointed the apostles to administer the same. Grant me the grace to administer this sacrament in a worthy manner, Lord of all, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**Blessing the Oil and Water**

**CEL:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love

of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all. Now, always + (*Blesses the oil and water*) and forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

**Blessing the Oil**

**CEL:** Lord God, may Your Holy Spirit come down and bless this oil and dwell in it. May this oil, for the administration of baptism, the symbol of Christ's suffering and resurrection, be sanctified +in the name of Your adorable Trinity. Let this oil of anointing be a sign of life for us. By this baptism accomplished through Jesus Christ, Your Son and our Savior, may we have the fullness of sanctity, the bliss of the heavenly kingdom, and a share in Christ's priesthood. We offer praise, honor, worship and thanksgiving to You and to Your beloved Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now, + always (*blesses the oil*) and forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

*The celebrant dipping his thumb in the holy Myron makes the sign of the cross in the oil saying:.*

**CEL:** Signed, sanctified and mingled with the holy Myron, this A oil becomes the sign of immortality in the baptism for the forgiveness of sins. In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Amen.

**Blessing the Water**

**CEL:** Lord God, may the Holy Spirit, who descended on Jesus when He received baptism in the Jordan, and who renews the human nature, come down on this water and dwell in it. Those who are baptized in this water may attain salvation. Purified in body and soul, may we be found worthy to offer praise, honor and thanksgiving. Now, always + and forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

*The celebrant makes the sign of the cross in the water saying*

**CEL:** To be the new womb of spiritual birth through the baptism of forgiveness of sins, this water is blessed and mingled with the holy oil. In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Amen.

*The celebrant dips his finger in Myron and makes the sign of the cross in the water.*

### Anointing

**CEL:** (Name of the child) is anointed with the holy oil in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Amen.

*Dipping the thumb in the oil the celebrant anoints the chest of the child.*

### Baptizing

*Pouring the water over the head thrice in the form of the cross.*

**CEL:** (Name of the child) is baptized in the name of the Father +

**ALL:** Amen.

**CEL:** and of the Son +

**ALL:** Amen.

**CEL:** and of the Holy Spirit +

**ALL:** Amen.

### Giving the White Dress

**CEL:** May our Lord Jesus Christ adorn you with the robe of D sanctity and help you to a life of innocence.

*The celebrant puts the white dress on the child.*

**ALL:** Amen.

### Giving the Lighted Candle to the Child

**CEL:** May Christ, the light of the world, be your beacon all the way.

*The celebrant gives the child the lighted candle.*

**ALL:** Amen.

*Karozutha in preparation for the sacrament of Chrismation.*

**SER:** For this servant, who has become child of God in baptism and is awaiting the gifts of the Holy Spirit, let us pray: "Lord, hear our prayer".

**ALL:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**SER:** That You send Your Spirit on this servant, as You did to Your disciples lost in prayer in Sehion Banquet Hall, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**SER:** That, filled with Your Holy Spirit, he (she)

may be braced up to live a life of holiness, and rooted in faith, he ( she) may glorify You always, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**SER:** That the parents, teachers and benefactors, who raise him (her) up in Christian faith, be infused with Your Spirit, we pray:

**ALL:** Lord, hear our prayer.

**SER:** Let us commend one another and ourselves to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Lord God, we commend ourselves to You.

**CEL:** Lord, Almighty God, we humbly pray You. Fill this child with Your Spirit. May he (she) grow up to the plenitude of Christian life. May he (she) be strengthened not to forget You in prosperity, and to seek You out in adversity. Bless him (her) to bear strong witness to You in life, and, then after death, to find the bliss of eternal happiness. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

*The celebrant asks:*

**CEL:** Being filled with the Holy Spirit and confirmed in faith, do you desire to witness to Christ?

**ANS:** Yes, I do

**CEL:** May God bless you.

*All together sing the Hymn to the Holy Spirit.*

ഗാനം

പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവേ, നീയെഴുന്നള്ളി  
വരണമേ എന്റെ ഹൃദയത്തിൽ  
ദിവ്യദാനങ്ങൾ ചിന്തിയെന്നുള്ളിൽ  
ദൈവസ്നേഹം നിറയ്ക്കണേ.

സ്വർഗ്ഗവാതിൽ തുറന്ന ഭൂമിയിൽ  
നിർഗളിക്കും പ്രകാശമേ - സ്വർഗ്ഗ...  
അന്ധകാരവിരിപ്പു മാറ്റിടും  
ചന്തമേറുന്ന ദീപമേ  
കേഴുമാത്മാവിലാശ വീശുന്ന  
മോഹന ദിവ്യഗാനമേ.

വിണ്ടുണങ്ങി വരണ്ട മാനസം  
കണ്ട വിണ്ണിൻ തടാകമേ - വിണ്ടു ...  
മന്ദമായ് വന്നു വീശിയാനന്ദം  
തന്ന പൊന്നിളം തെന്നലേ  
രക്തസാക്ഷികളാഞ്ഞു പുൽകിയ  
പുണ്യജീവിതപാത നീ.

**SER:** Dear brothers and sisters, the celebrant begins to sign this child with the plenitude of the grace of the Holy Spirit. In preparation, he now prays for himself. Staying devout and diligent, let us pray in silence.

**CEL:** Lord, Almighty God, we thank You for the infinite mercy by which You sent the Holy Spirit upon the apostles and strengthened them. You shower the Church with the gift of the Holy Spirit, through the imposition of hands by the apostles and their successors. Make me, O Lord, your humble servant, worthy to administer this gift to the child. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, forever.

**ALL:** Amen.

### Imposition of Hands

*The celebrant, extending both his hands and placing them, palm downwards, on the candidate, says:*

**CEL:** God our Father, You have granted us, through baptism, new birth, membership in the Mystical Body of Christ, and title to eternal life. Sign this servant with the promised Spirit and give him (her) the spirit of filiation that he (she) may call You "Abba", Father. Empower him (her), being filled with the divine Spirit, through the imposition of hands, to live as a brave soldier, bearing witness to the Gospel, and as a loyal servant of the Church. May he (she) be filled with Your Spirit's fruits of love, peace, happiness, patience, kindness, goodness, fidelity, meekness and self-control. By Your grace, may he (she) be blessed to live a life undefiled. We offer praise, honour, and worship to You, to Your beloved Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now, always, and forever (*Blesses the candidate*).

**ALL:** Amen.

### Anointing

*The celebrant after dipping his thumb in Myron and recites the following formula anoints the candidate on his (her) forehead in the form of the cross.*

**CEL:** (Name), having been baptized, is now perfected and confirmed. In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL:** Amen.

*After anointing, the celebrant recites the following prayer:*

**CEL:** Lord God, may the life-giving sign and the

fullness of the grace of the Holy Spirit that he (she) has received, the new life he (she) has begun, and the amour of justice he (she) is wearing, shield him (her) from the enemy's harm. May he (she) be blessed to exude the divine fragrance of Christ in his (her) life.

**ALL:** Amen.

### Crowning the Child

**CEL:** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit (*Name*) is adorned with the crown of life as the sign of spiritual joy and eternal bliss.

*The celebrant crowns the candidate.*

*All go in procession to the entrance of the sanctuary door. The godfather carries the lighted candle. The following hymn may be sung during the procession.*

യോർദ്ദാൻ നദിയിൽ ദൈവസുതൻ  
മാമ്മോദീസ മുങ്ങുമ്പോൾ  
വിണ്ണിൻ വാതിൽ തുറക്കുന്നു  
വാഴ്ചിപ്പാടം തിരുനാമം.

ദൈവത്തിൻ പ്രിയപുത്രനിതാ  
സംപ്രീതൻ ഞാനീസുതനിൽ  
പാവനനാദം മുഖരിതമായ്  
വാഴ്ചിപ്പാടം തിരുനാമം.

പുതുജന്മത്തിൻ ജീവജലം  
ആത്മവിശുദ്ധി പകർന്നരുളും  
മേഘപഥത്തിൽ വെൺപ്രാവായ്  
പാവനരൂപനിറങ്ങുന്നു.

*On reaching the entrance of the sanctuary.*

**CEL:** Together with this child, who has become a son (daughter) of God, let us implore God calling Him "Father."

**CEL:** Our Father in heaven

**ALL:** Holy be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day the bread we need, and forgive us our debts and sins, as we have forgiven those who offended us. Do not let us fall into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**SER:** Let us pray. Peace be with us.

*If Holy Qurbana is to follow, then it is resumed, beginning with offertory.*

### Concluding Prayers

**CEL:** Lord God, You have washed up and purified this child in the blood of Jesus, the divine Lamb, who takes away the sins of the world. We thank You for having fulfilled in this servant our Lord, Jesus Christ's promise of the Holy Spirit. We praise You for having made this son (daughter) of Yours co-heir with Christ, and rich in the grace of the Holy Spirit. Bless this servant that he (she) may glorify You in truth and spirit. Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Lord of all, forever.

**ALL:** Amen. Lord, bless us.

**CEL:** May the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Joseph, the holy Apostles, our Father St. Thomas, the Confessors, Saints and all the Blessed in the Church, and of the Patron Saint of our parish, assist this child. May the life of witness of the saint, after whom this child is named, be his (her) model.

### Final Blessing

**CEL:** Blessed be the God who has raised us, through baptism, to the status of the children of God. May He help you to live as a faithful son (daughter) of the Church. Having received the Holy Spirit, may you become a daring missionary, bearing witness to the Gospel. Being supportive in dangers, consoling in sorrows and helpful in trials, may He protect you until you reach the heavenly bliss that eyes have not seen, ears have not heard and the heart has not yet enjoyed. May God make you worthy to be the hope of your parents, the light of your home, and an example of service for the people. May He bless you all abundantly, who have partaken in this sacred service. Now, always, a<sup>1</sup> and forever (*blesse*s all).

**ALL:** Amen.