

# Prayer for the Success of the Eighth Syro-Malankara Catholic Convention

Almighty and ever-loving God, / we praise and thank you for all the blessings / that you continue to shower upon us / as individuals, families / and as members of the Syro-Malankara Catholic Church. Each day, we experience your loving kindness, / and we praise you / for every opportunity to grow in your love. Lord, we recognize our ecclesial mission / to be faithful to and to promote / the spiritual, liturgical and cultural patrimony / our forefathers handed over to us.

Lord, let the Syro-Malankara Catholic Convention of 2012 / be an opportunity / to reflect collectively on our ecclesial life / and on our divine call / as Malankara Catholics in North America. May it be a grace-filled occasion for us / to assemble and share your goodness and love, / so that we may grow deeper in our faith and strengthen our family commitment and personal relationships.

We pray for all the participants / and all those who work hard / for a successful and blessed convention. We specially pray for our children and youngsters. Lord, enlighten us to understand / how crucial is the growth of our future generation / for the continued presence of our Church and community in this land. Extend your invisible hands / upon the sick and vulnerable of our community, / and fill them with your Holy Spirit. May the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary / St. Thomas, the Apostle / and all other saints / be a stronghold for us. We offer this prayer / in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.