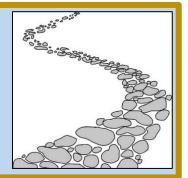


WALKING THE PATH





2nd February 2025 The Presentation of Our Lord In Luke's Gospel, Wise Simeon says : "For my eyes have seen your salvation."



Walking the Path ~ of Saintliness ~

Lord Jesus Christ, You are the true Light enlightening every soul born into this world. You are the Light shining in the darkness of this world. Help us to live in that Light, to make it our own, and to kindle it in the souls of others. Then we, too, working for You, shall be light-bearers who will help to spread Your kingdom on earth, and increase the number of those who dwell in heaven, the city of eternal light.

"CHRIST BE ON MY RIGHT. CHRIST BE ON MY LEFT."

RITES OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH # 21

THE SYRIAC CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Syriac Catholic Church traces its history to the early centuries of Christianity. It came into full communion with the Holy See is considered to be a direct descendant of the ancient and original Church of Antioch.

The church is headed by Mor ("Lord") Ignatius Joseph III Younan, who has the title **Patriarch of Antioch and all the East of the Syriacs.**



THE ANTIOCHIAN RITE



"We are all called to be saints." - Pope Francis



~ ST PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS · 6th FEBRUARY ~ Paul Miki was born into a wealthy Japanese family. He was educated by the Jesuits and joined their order, becoming a successful preacher and gaining numerous converts to Catholicism. The ruler of Japan began persecuting Catholics for fear of the Jesuits' influence and intentions.

Miki was arrested and jailed with his fellow Catholics, who were forced to march 600 miles from Kyoto to Nagasaki; all the while they sang the *Te Deum*. He was crucified, preaching his last sermon from the cross, and forgave his executioners. 25 companions were crucified alongside him, all of whom were canonised by Pope Pius IX in 1862.



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