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Marriage of Ribin Jose and Reshma: Reclaiming an old custom

Ribin Jose and Reshma Babu decided to reinstate an old custom of crowning the bride and groom at the wedding ceremony. The St. Thomas Christians used to have this custom from ancient times. Since the middle of the twentieth century, only some groups continue to use it. Ribin and Reshma, in consultation with Fr. Cyril Thayyil, the celebrant, decided to incorporate the Crowning into their ceremony. The accompanying chant was translated into Malayalam from Syriac. The chant is sung to the melody of the popular song [Bar maryam](#) (Son of Mary). This is yet another example of the younger generation of Syro Malabar Catholics warming up to the Syriac heritage of their forefathers. What is significant here is that the initiative is coming from the part of the laity and not the hierarchy. Clearly, Ribin and Reshma took a bold step. We can only admire them. We are grateful to Ribin and Reshma for allowing us to post this video on our channel.

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- Really brave step of incorporating old customs. Also Achans earthly voice really stands out... very nice - **Sijo Mathews** - August 1, 2019
- I honestly can't get over how beautiful and meaningful this ceremony is ! ? The Syriac chants sung in malayalam are also heavenly and the choir has done a Great job in that ! - **Anu James** - September 30, 2019

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