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Syriac chants during priestly ordination ceremony for Fr. Melvin Paul. St. Thomas Syro Malabar Catholic Cathedral, Chicago. Saturday, 16 May 2020. See more on the welcome song on our Encyclopedia of Syriac chants

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The conversation on Syriac chants reaches the younger generation of priests in the Syro Malabar Church in America. Fr. Melvin Paul Mangalath decided to follow the footsteps of the other priests who recently received priestly ordination in the same diocese. Fr. Melvin went a step further by including the welcome song, Slothak Awun Thehawelan, during the bishop-celebrants' entrance procession. This was the first time we heard this song in this context in the Syro Malabar Church in the USA. Fr. Melvin took another bold step by including the texts of the Syriac chants in Syriac script and English transliteration in the program prepared for the occasion. Such bold decisions have far-reaching effects. We thank Fr. Melvin for granting permission to post this video on our Channel. It was in 2013 we introduced Syriac chants in America during the celebration of Qurbana at the National Shrine, and Basilica of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D. C.

(Aramaic Project- 66 https://youtu.be/aJnk78G_bX4) What we see in this video are some of the fruits of that pioneering venture. If more priests and people warm up to the Syriac tradition, the liturgical and linguistic map of America will look different in the not-so-distant future.

Dr. Joseph J. Palackal, CMI

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