

## **Mary Help of Christians Parish, Maligaon**

Mary Help of Christians Parish, Maligaon, was established on 24 May 2008 by Archbishop Thomas Menamparampil. It covers the area of Kamakhya Gate, Jalukbari chariali, Brahmaputra River side and Fatashil Hill. It has 254 Catholics and 80 Catholic families.

### **Background**

Initially Maligaon was only a Technical School that facilitated technical education for youth. It was established during the term of Fr. Mario Porcu SDB in 1968. The school envisaged the training of the students, particularly boys from the Assam planes, in various technical skills. It officially opened on 3 February 1969.

### **Establishment**

Finding the appropriate location and the need to strengthen Catholic presence, the Archdiocese decided to erect a parish at Maligaon. Hence, it was officially inaugurated on 24 May 2008 by Archbishop Thomas Menamparampil with Fr. Elias Kerketta as its first parish priest.

From 2010 to 2012 Fr. Abraham Kanattu, from 2012 to 2013 Fr. Louis Arimboor and from 2014 to 2015 Fr. Hubert Uttam Molsom served as parish priests. Presently Fr. Benjamin Daimari is the parish priest.

### **Activities of the Parish**

The parish organises Sunday school, recollection, first Communion training, marriage class, and programme for youth and women. It carries out regular family visit, annual retreat, and weekly confession to strengthen the faith of the people.

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