## **INVITATION**

to Join our Joyous Celebration on Sunday March 15, 2015 of the Canonization of St. Joseph Vaz, C.O. (1651-1711)

## **Inter-Religious Musical Prelude at 9:15 AM**

Rita Sahai, renowned North Indian classical singer with her Hindustani choir Singing sacred songs for Divine Light and Inspiration Buddhist Chant in honor of the Buddhist King of Kandy who granted religious freedom The Beatitudes in Raga Pahadi sung by St. John the Baptist Multicultural Choir Konkani Hymn to St. Joseph Vaz with flute accompaniment

## Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving at 10 AM Most Reverend Bishop Michael Barber, S.J. of Oakland, presiding **Lunch reception after Mass**

Cathedral of Christ the Light 2121 Harrison St., Oakland, California, 94612, USA

> "Inside the bundle of cinnamon were his sacred vessels for Holy Mass"



## born in Goa in 1651 - died in Kandy in 1711

Re-founded the Church of Sri Lanka during the 17<sup>TH</sup> century Dutch persecution Protected by the Buddhist King, Vimaladharmasurya II, of Kandy Founded the first hospital in Kandy, Sri Lanka, during a smallpox epidemic

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