



ST. SEBASTIAN'S FEAST ST. SEBASTIAN'S FORANE CHURCH



LOCATION

Panchayath/
Municipality/
Corporation

Neendakara Gramapanchayath

District

Kollam



ACCESSIBILITY

Nearest Town/
Landmark/ Junction

Neendakara Fishing Harbour(land Mark)

Nearest Bus station

Neendakara Bus Stop-600 M

Nearest Railway
station

Kollam Railway Station- 9 Km

Nearest Airport

Trivandrum International Airport- 75 Km



CONTACT

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TIME

DATES

January 15 to 25

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

10 Days



ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

ST. Sebastian was an early Christian saint and martyr. He was the Son of a wealthy Roman family. Educated in Milan. Officer of the Imperial Roman army, and captain of the guard. Charged as a Christian, Sebastian was tied to a tree, shot with arrows, and left for dead. He survived, and with the help of Saint Irene, recovered, and returned to preach to Diocletian. The emperor then had him beaten to death He died on 20th January. The feast is celebrated to commemorate the belief that ST. Sebastian has left his earthly body to be in the company of God. Catholic Feast days are days set aside to remember important people who lived extraordinary lives. Most saints and holy people have specially designated feast days. On those days we remember these holy men and women in a special way.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National / International)

Local



NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED

Above 10000

EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Flag Hoisting
Divya Bali
Procession
Special Prayers
Novena
Cultural Programs
Spiritual Discourses
Samoohabali

DESCRIPTION *(How festival is celebrated)*

There will be a flag hoisting ceremony on the first day of the festival, marking the beginning. Religious discourses and special prayers were takes place during the festive days. January 20th, feast day is celebrated with greater importance samoohabali will there on that day also cultural events also conducted. Procession which covers major part of town is also an important event in the festival which attracts lots of people.

