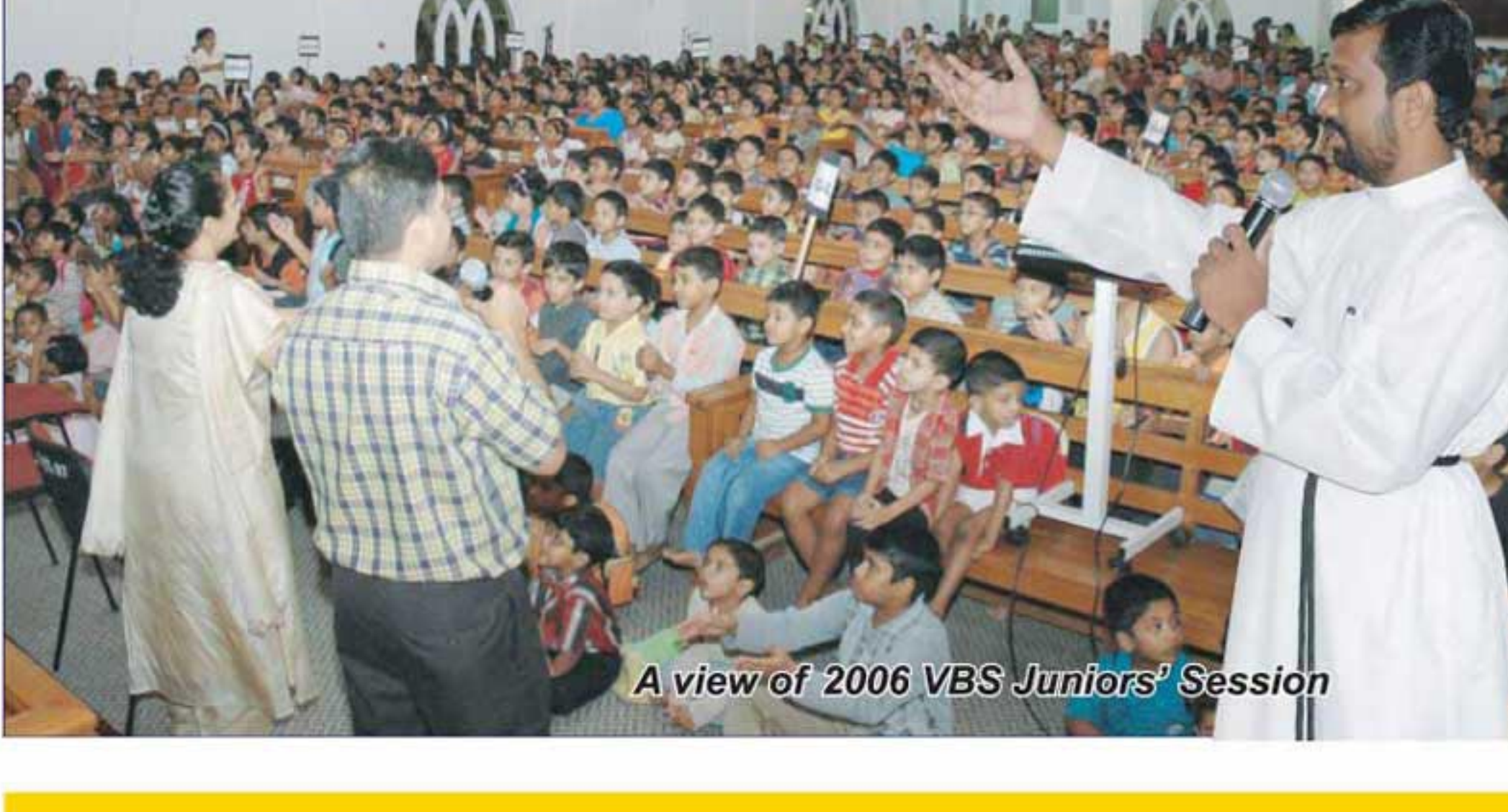


# The Mar Thoma Parish, Sharjah

"The Lord Is Merciful and Gracious"  
Psalms 103:8



A view of 2006 VBS Juniors' Session

My most dearly beloved brethren in Christ,

To those who have been called by God, who live in the love of God the Father and the protection of Jesus Christ: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

As you know in our 29th Parish convention, we were meditating upon four questions based on the theme: "Transforming Discipleship". And our Parish Day celebration was very inspiring and challenging one. I thank each and every one who did their level best to make the event as a grand success.

In this 29th year of our Parish life I would like to share the life style of geese with you. While they are migrating or flying to a warmer place to sort the winter, they move in 'V' shape formation. By flying 'V' shape formation the whole flock increases the flight efficiency more than 70% compared to just one bird flying alone. Parish must be a sharing community, bearing community, and caring community.

Sharing the same direction and working as a team help us to reach our destination quicker and easier. The geese while flying on a 'V' formation, quake to encourage the ones in the front, in that way they keep the same speed. - A timely word of encouragement always motivates, helps, and strengthens...it produces the best of benefits. When a goose gets sick, the other geese will fly with him, and remain with him until he is able to fly again. If we are bond together, and support each other, make the tune of team work, understand the real value of fellowship, are aware of the importance of sharing, the mission of the Parish will be easier, and the passing of years more and more meaningful and fruitful. Remember the bible verse Prov. 30: 27 - "Locusts: they have no king, but they move in formation."

Please pray for the blessing of our V. B. S. May the gracious mighty heavenly Father touch and transform our children and open their eyes to see their security and individuality in the self emptying life style of Jesus Christ.

We are expected to celebrate October 01 Sunday as Voluntary Evangelists' Day. A man with Christ is a Missionary, and a man without Christ is a Mission field. This thought provoking message is the Slogan of the Voluntary Evangelistic Association. All the parishioners are requested to take membership of this association through Parish Mission.

Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam exhorts us to set apart October 15th as Youth Sunday. Youths are the Power of the Present. Let us recognize their importance and channelize their potentials for the establishment of the Kingdom of God.

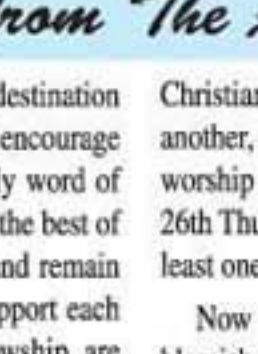
Family is most pious institution and the most wonderful planning of the almighty God. And it is the miniature of Heaven.

Christian Family life is a great privilege, and a big responsibility. So love one another, respect each other, be constant in family prayer, be diligent in corporate worship and regular partakers of the Holy Qurbana. In our parish we scheduled 26th Thursday and 27th Friday for family dedication. All are requested to attend at least one of these services.

Now to Him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you without blemish before the presence of his glory with rejoicing, be glory before all time and now and for ever. Amen.

With love and prayers  
Panicker G Achen.

### Message from The Asst. Vicar



## Holy Communion

Every Thursday at 7.30pm  
Every Friday at 7.30am  
Third Friday at 6.00pm & 1st Sunday at 8.00pm  
English Service on Fourth Friday at 7.30am

### From The Sabha Mandalam Members

Greeting to all in the name of Jesus Christ!!!!  
We are happy to address you all and are grateful to our fellow parishioners for sending us to the Mar Thoma Sabha Mandalam, the Supreme Body of our Church. We attended the Sabha Mandalam Meeting conducted on September 06th, 07th & 08th at Thiruvalla. Our Metropolitan and our Bishops were the Leaders and had discussion on various subjects, and certain important decisions were made.

The Metropolitan instructed us to explain the functions of the Sabha Mandalam to our Home Churches. We presented the detailed report of the Mandalam Functions during the Holy Qurbana Services on 28th and 29th September 2006. The Metropolitan and Bishops appreciated our Parish for its fervent participation and major role in carrying out all the Church Activities. We pray to bless us abundantly in future also.

With best regards and prayers,

John Mathew

Mercy Mathew

### From The Diocesan Assembly Member

My greeting to all in the name of Jesus Christ!  
Thank you for sending us to Diocesan Assembly as your representative and very happy to inform that our Diocesan assembly meeting was held on July 8th, 2006 at Ranni Kalamannil Ommannan Memorial Hall. Our Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Geevarghese Mar Athanasius Episcopa presided over the meeting and accounts, budget etc was presented and passed. The diocesan Episcopa has given the Certificate of Appreciation to our Parish for completing the Accounts and the budgets for the year 2005-2006 on time. It was a blessed session and got appreciation for the contributions we made to the Ranni Nilackal Diocese.

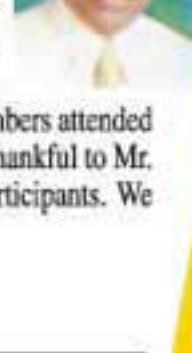
With prayers,  
On behalf of all Diocesan Assembly Member  
Graceamma Thomas



### From The Sneha Sanghamom-06 Convener

May I greet you in the name of our Lord!  
Sharjah Mar Thoma Sneha Sanghamom 2006 was held at Mar Thoma Sevika Sanghom Jubilee Hall Thiruvalla on 28th July 2006 and was inaugurated by our Diocesan Episcopa Rt. Rev. Geevarghese Mar Athanasius. Dr. K.A. Koshy, Aligarh University delivered the message. Rev. K.A. Thomas presided the meeting. Our former vicars, and lot of former members attended the sanghamom. Mr. C.J. Abraham welcomed the gathering. We are thankful to Mr. Thomas Mathew Kandannoor, for distributing Tea Packets to all participants. We are proud that this year's Sneha Sanghamom was a great success.

Thanks and prayers,  
Mathew John



### New Academic Year Thanks Giving Service

will be held on 02nd & 03rd November 2006 during the Holy Communion Services.  
Sunday School Children are requested to collect their Covers for the offertory from Class Teachers.

## Red Carpet to New Members....

Sl.	Name	ID	Home Parish	Area	Contact No.
01	Mr. Ajai Koshy Chanday	A 187	St. Thomas MTC, Kailhakuzy	SCS	050 - 8927105
02	Mr. Ajaya Kumar V M	A 186	Kadamana MTC, Kasargode	SCS	050 - 2809910
03	Mr. Ajeesh Cherian Ninan	A 188	Salem MTC, Chennithala South	UQA	050 - 6916281
04	Mr. Anil V Mathew	A 185	Nazareth MTC, Ettichuvadu	DXB	050 - 5182585
05	Mr. Arun George Abraham	A 184	MTC, Mallappally	IM	050 - 2144507
06	Mr. Benson P V	B 129	St. Thomas MTC, Kattanam	SCS	06 - 5389457
07	Mr. Biju George	B 130	Kottanalloor MTC, Manakkala	ABS	050 - 7615526
08	Mr. Binu Joseph	B 128	Emmanuel MTC, Ranny	AJM	050 - 3684313
09	Mr. Idiculla Roymon	I 018	Sehion MTC, Pullad	AJM	06 - 5253210
10	Mr. Jacob Daniel N	J 275	St. Thomas MTC, Niranam	MM	06 - 5634518
11	Mr. Jacob K K	J 271	Bethel MTC, Kottara	IM	050 - 2037886
12	Mr. James Varghese	J 272	Trinity MTC, Kochukolikal	AJM	050 - 5776353
13	Mr. Jeby Jacob	J 277	St. Paul's MTC, kizhekkenmuthoor	CA	050 - 3427338
14	Mr. John Baby	J 270	MTC, Odanavattian	AJM	050 - 5475982
15	Mr. John Mathew	J 274	St. Thomas MT Syrian Church, Vashi	NS	050 - 4628223
16	Mr. Joslyn T P	J 276	Ebenezer MTC, Elampallil	RSQ	06 - 5624106
17	Mr. Jubbel Isaac Ninan	J 273	MTC, Cherukole	RSQ	06 - 5724206
18	Mr. Koshy Titus	K 058	St. Thomas MTC, Pallickal	MM	050 - 4771701
19	Mr. Mammen Abraham	M 154	St. Thomas MTC, Chokkad	NS	050 - 3050511
20	Mr. Manoj Varghese	M 155	MTC Kuzhikala	KHS	050 - 4795097

## Red Carpet to New Members....

Sl.	Name	ID	Home Parish	Area	Contact No.
21	Mr. Mathew K C	M 156	Thalavady MTC, Neerettupuram	UAQ	050 - 5477430
22	Mr. Philip Koshy	P 077	Salem MTC, Kudara	SCS	06 - 5384037
23	Mr. Phillip Phillip	P 075	St. Paul's MTC, Perumpavoor	AJM	050 - 4435501
24	Mr. Pratheep John	P 074	Emmanuel Church Chengamanad	DXB	04 - 2613552
25	Mrs. Pushpa Thomas	P 076	Thumpamon Bethel MTC	RSQ	06 - 5617964
26	Mr. Regi George	R 112	Salem MTC, Chennithala South	UAQ	050 - 5260155
27	Mr. Renju P Mathai	R 111	Chengannur Valiapally	RSQ	050 - 2986446
28	Mr. Roy Mathew	R 110	St. Thomas MTC, Kalliooppara	KHS	06 - 5650881
29	Mr. Sajil K Abraham	S 242	Salem MTC, Kurianoor	AJM	050 - 6793617
30	Mr. Sajil Varghese	S 243	St. Thomas MTC, Keezhvaipur	AJM	050 - 2915758
31	Mr. Samuel Philipose	S 244	St. Thomas MTC, Aranmula	NS	050 - 2782382
32	Mr. Shaji Thomas	S 245	Athiyal Salem MTC, Perumpetty	BMN	050 - 8972683
33	Mr. Shojee George Commen	S 247	St. Thomas MTC, Pullyoor	MC	050 - 2914731
34	Mr. Stone Thomas Mathew	S 246	MT Syrian Church, Thane	AJM	050 - 2785911
35	Mr. Tenny Isaac	T 178	St. Thomas MTC, Punnaveli	BMN	06 - 5540532
36	Mr. Thankachen Mathai	T 177	MT Syrian Church, Koorthamala	SCS	050 - 3602547
37	Mr. Varughese Sam K	V 109	Jerusalem MTC, Niranam	DXB	050 - 8528475
38	Mr. Varughese Thomas	V 110	MTC, Maramon	MM	050 - 8088721
39	Mr. Wilson John	W 009	St. Thomas Church, Pattoor, Tvm	NS	06 - 5620469
40	Mr. Yohannan Idicheria	Y 007	Salem MTC, Chandanakavu	AJM	050 - 2092404

### Organization - Events

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL

06/10/2006 - 6.00pm  
13th, 20th & 27th 10.00am  
VBS Final Day Programme regular Sunday School classes at church

#### SEVICA SANGHOM

11th, 18th & 25th Wednesday, 8.00pm at Parish Hall  
13th Friday 12.30pm to 06.00pm - Sevika Sanghom Conference  
Fasting Prayer on third Sunday, 9.30am at Church

#### PARISH MISSION (Sunday at 8.30pm at Church)

04/10/2006 - House Visit ; 06/10/2006 - Parish Mission Day Celebration  
08/10/2006 - Prayer 8.30pm at Church hosted by Mr. Sam John (S 011)  
15/10/2006 - Prayer 8.30pm at Church hosted by Mr. Deepak Mathew (D 004)

#### YUVAJANA SAKHYAM (Saturday 8.30pm at Church)

07/10/2006 - Bible Study ; 14/10/2006 - Debate  
19/10/2006 - Yuvajana Sakhyam Dinam Celebration  
21/10/2006 - Intercessory Prayer ; 28/10/2006 - Cottage Prayer

Request members' whole hearted participation for all the above events with prayers

### Baptism

Eric Dennison, So. Mr. Dennison Daniel (D 0016) born on 19/07/2005 baptized on 15/09/2006  
Rachel Susan Santhosh, Do. Mr. Santhosh Mathew (S 0236) born on 01/10/2005 baptized on 15/09/2006  
Shruthi Susan Jacob, Do. Mr. Gigi Jacob (G 078) born on 12/09/2000 baptized on 19/09/2006

Wishes for a Christ Centered and Blessed Life

### Area Prayer Meetings

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	ID No	Tel. No.
AJM	09/10/06	8.30 pm	Church	Mrs. Jolly Jacob	G 024	06 7422283
RCH	09/10/06	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Deepak Mathew	D 004	050 5646240
ABS	10/10/06	7.30 pm	Church	Mr. Alex J. Attappallil Mr. Aby Mathew Mr. Roy George Mr. Shibu Mathew	A 114 A 088 R 031 S 204	050 7492306 050 6348564 050 6343473 050 8636601
DXB	13/10/06	6.30 pm	Church	Mr. Thomas Mathew	T 136	050 4648496
MM	16/10/06	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Zachariah Thomas	Z 002	050 6322710
CA				Mr. Jose Samuel	J 179	06 5612172
IM	16/10/06	8.30 pm	Residence	Mr. Alex J. Attappallil	A 066	06 5746053
MC	17/10/06	8.30 pm	Residence	Mr. Mathew Philip	M 024	050 4821247
BMS	17/10/06	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Jacob P Varghese	J 212	050 6973051
SCS	23/10/06	8.30 pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary		
RSQ	24/10/06	8.30 pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary		
NS	30/10/06	8.30 pm	Residence	Mr. Baby Y Y Tharakan	B 010	050 6286675
KHS	31/10/06	8.30 pm	Residence	Mr. Boby Mathew Jacob	B 045	050 5971639
UAQ	7.00 pm	at U A Q Prayer Hall	on All Fridays Except 06/10/06			

### Condolences

Mr. Reji Ninan, 40 years  
Brother in law of Mr. Babu George P (B 009) of MM  
Mr. Aleyamma John, 58 years  
Mother in law of Mr. Shiju Varkery (S 054) of ABS  
Mr. Samuel V Mathai, 73 years  
Father in law of Mr. T Y Mathai (M 051) of CA  
Dr. Alexander Varghese, 79 years,  
Father of Mr. Thomas Alexander (T 047) of ABS  
Mrs. Achamma Daniel, 80 years  
Grand mother of Mr. Shaji John (S 111) of SCS

The Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish expresses heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members on the sad demise of their beloved ones, May God's Care strengthen and comfort them.

### Choir Practice

Choir Practice on every Wednesday (except 4th Oct) 8.30pm to 10.30pm



### Parish Directory 2006

All are requested to submit the PARISH DIRECTORY APPLICATION FORMS duly filled with 2 recent passport size photographs immediately. Please ensure to submit your forms before 20TH OCTOBER 2006.

### Lectionary & Area Acolytes

Date	Acolytes From	Ist Lesson	IInd Lesson	Epistle
05th Oct, Thu	MM	II Samuel	Hebrews	Acts
12th Oct, Fri	Parish Mission	09: 01-13	12: 12-17	03: 01-10
19th Oct, Thu	NS	Ecclesiastes	Hebrews	I Timothy
26th Oct, Fri	RCH	11: 09-12:08	12: 01-11	04: 06-16
02nd Oct, Thu	Yuvajana Sakhyam			
20th Oct, Fri	RSQ	Genesis 27: 01-29	I John 02: 07-17	II Timothy 01: 03-14
20th Oct, 6 pm	SCS			
26th Oct, Thu	Kaisthana	Genesis 02: 18-25	Ephesians 05: 22-32	Ephesians 03: 04-21
27th Oct, Fri	Saithithi			
02nd Nov, Thu	Sunday	Deuteronomy 06: 01-09	Ephesians 05: 01-10	Romans 12: 01-13
03rd Nov, Fri	School			
05th Nov, Sun	UAQ			

### New Borns

A baby girl **NAJASIA** is born to Vincy and Manoj T Varghese (M 075) of MC on September 19th.  
A baby boy **MANUEL** is born to Anjana and Biju Mathew (B 095) of MC on September 18th.  
A baby girl **SNEHA** is born to Beena and Abraham Mathew (A 122) of AJM on September 10th.  
A baby boy **DOMIN** is born to Sara and Aby Thomas (A 120) of DXB on September 10th.  
A baby girl **MANANA** is born to Sindia and Mathew Philip (M 060) of SCS on September 09th.  
A baby boy **JOSHUA** is born to Jiji and Roy George (R 049) of MC on September 01st.

Hearty Congratulations to the Proud Parents!!!



## 2006

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