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**MERRY
CHRISTMAS**
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR



Message From Youth Chaplain



Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

2020 has already proved a difficult year, and at this point, it's expected that our Christmas celebrations will look a little different too. It might be more difficult to get in the festive mood in this pandemic year. This global pandemic doesn't have to ruin the festive season completely. Christmas may look different this year, but the meaning behind the season hasn't changed. God is with us (Immanuel). "Glory to God in the highest, and on Earth peace among those whom he favors" (Luke 2:14). Like the shepherds who first went with haste to the stable, let us halt in wonder before the sign that God has given us: "A baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger" (Luke 2:12). What is the universal message of Christmas? Jesus came to reveal the face of God to all those who seek him. The face of God has been revealed in a human face. It did not appear in an angel, but in one man, born in a specific time and place. By his incarnation, God tells us that salvation comes through love, acceptance, respect for this poor humanity of ours, which we all share in a great variety of races, languages, and cultures. Let us focus on what you can do this Christmas.

- Less is more. Make a list of all the ways you like to celebrate, like picking and decorating a tree, family dinners, gift exchange, or attending a church service.
- Give of yourselves together. A neighbor's walkway can make a wonderful gift. Look around and see how people live.
- Share an old tradition. What did you love doing as a child? Prepare your home to receive the savior. Decorate with Christmas Nativity.
- Change a life together. Share your Holiday spirit with a family on the other side of the world.
- Perform an act of kindness. There are so many ways to brighten someone's day: buy coffee for a stranger, call a loved one unexpectedly, and send a meal to a friend.
- Go to church. Faith services are an important part of Christmas for many people.

May all of us receive peace and consolation from the birth of the Savior and, in the knowledge that we are loved by the one heavenly Father.

May this year's Christmas and New Year be a blessing to all of us.

Rev Sajesh Mathews

HOLY QURBANA LECTIONARY & AREA ACOLYTES

| Date | Day-Time | Area Schedule | Holy Qurbana | First Lesson | Second Lesson | Epistle / Gospel |
|-----------|--------------|--|--|--------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| | | | Theme | | | |
| 03-Dec-20 | Thu. 8:00 PM | CA,DXA DXG,IM | Birth of John the Baptist | Isa 55:6-13 | Heb 4:1-13 | Gal 1:11-17 Luke 1:57-66 |
| 05-Dec-20 | Sat. 8:00 PM | KHS,MC MM,NS | | | | |
| 10-Dec-20 | Thu. 8:00 PM | RCH,RSQ SAN,SCS | Annunciation to Joseph | Zeph 3:14-20 | Rom 1:5-16 | Phil 4:4-10 Matt 1:18-23 |
| 11-Dec-20 | Fri. 7:30AM | All Areas Common Registration | | | | |
| 12-Dec-20 | Sat. 8:00 PM | SUC,UAQ ABC,ACC | | | | |
| 17-Dec-20 | Thu. 8:00 PM | AGM,AJC ALK,BMW | Our Lord is Coming | Mic 4:1-7 | 1John 4:7-21 | Rom 1:8-17 John 1:1-14 |
| 18-Dec-20 | Fri. 7:30AM | All Areas Common Registration | | | | |
| 19-Dec-20 | Sat. 8:00 PM | All Areas Common Registration | | | | |
| 24-Dec-20 | Thu. 8:00 PM | DXA,DXG,MC SUC,AJC,ALK | Yaldho – Feast of Nativity: The Birth of our Lord | Mic. 5:1-9 | Col. 1:13-20 | Gal.4:1-7 Luke 2:1-14 |
| 25-Dec-20 | Fri. 5:00 AM | CA,IM,KHS,MM NS,RCH,RSQ | | | | |
| 25-Dec-20 | Fri. 7:30 AM | BMW,SAN,SCS,AGM ABC,ACC,UAQ | | | | |
| 31-Dec-20 | Thu. 7:00 PM | ABC,ACC,AGM AJC,ALK,BMW CA, DXA,DXG,IM | Year Ending – Watch Night Service -God our Helper and Redeemer | 1Sam 7:5-17 | 1Pet 5:6-11 | Heb 13:7-11 Luke 12:22-34 |
| 31-Dec-20 | Thu. 9:00PM | KHS,MC,MM,NS RCH,RSQ,SAN SCS,SUC,UAQ | | | | |

Hearty Welcome to New Members



SABU GEORGE (S-722) ACC

050 7641909

St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church , Kattanam



BITHIN M BABU (B-345) ACC

054 3617666

Zion Mar Thoma Church, Elikkattoor



KAIRALY JAMES (K-101) SCS

056 9902619

St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church , Pooyappally



SHIBI M JACOB (S-721) SUC

0558672579

St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church , Kripapuram



ROOPA C (R-301) SCS

050 9840542

Farewell



Aleyamma Thomas (T-55) AJC

Transferred to home parish-Mar Thoma Valiya Pally,
Elanthoor



Sajumon T. George (S-331) SUC

Transferred to Home parish-Bethel Mar Thoma Church,
Kumbazha



George Varghese. K (G-156) MM

Transferred to Home parish-Christos Mar Thoma Church,
Muthukulam, Nilambur.



Philip M. John (P-49) CA

Transferred to Home Parish- St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church,
Tiruvalla.

Area Prayer Groups Joint Christmas Carol Schedule

| No | Date | Time | Day | Area |
|----|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| 1 | 18-Dec-2020 | 7:30 PM | Friday | ALK,DXA,DXG,SAN |
| 2 | 18-Dec-2020 | 7:30 PM | Friday | ACC,ABC,AGM,MC |
| 3 | 20-Dec-2020 | 8:30 PM | Sunday | BMW,RSQ,SCS,SUC |
| 4 | 21-Dec-2020 | 8:30 PM | Monday | CA,IM,RCH,AJC |
| 5 | 22-Dec-2020 | 8:30 PM | Tuesday | KHS,NS,MM,UAQ |

Parish Spritual Organisations - Events

Sunday School

Head Master : Mr. Varghese Samuel (V-19) 050 7278925

Secretary : Mr. Stanley John (S-550) 055 718 6683

Asst. Head Mistress : Mrs. Mercy Mathew (M-02) 050 5275432 | sharjahmtss@gmail.com

Birudh Exam for Students of Junior – 2

Intermediate – 2, Senior – 2,

And Young Adult -2 on 11/12/2020 On Zoom Platform

Parish Mission

Every Sunday 8:30 pm Through zoom platform

Secretary: Mr. Mammen Thomas (M-216) 050-6744708

Vice President: Mr. Zacharia Thomas (Z-2) 050-6322710

Yuvajana Sakhyam

Every Friday 11.15 Am Through zoom platform

YS Secretary: Mr. Sumal Kurian (S-653) 050-8476008

YS Vice President: Mr. Liby Ninan (S-451) 050-8476008

Sevika Sangham

Every Wednesday at 8.30 pm Through zoom platform

Vice President : Mrs.Ivy Mathew (J-28) 050-7579562

Secretary : Mrs.Mary Mathew (M-210) 050-7214733

Church Choir

Practise on every wednesday 8.30 pm Through zoom platform

Vice President : Mr. Sam P George (S-20) 050-6964903

Secretary : Mr.Biju Abraham (B-303) 055-9222384

Senior Citizens Forum

Every third fridy 8.30 Pm Through zoom platform

Vice President : Mr.Samuel P Mathew (S-27) 050-6311413

Secretary : Mr.George Thomas (G-52) 050-6561876

Youth Fellowship

Every Friday at 12:00 pm. Through zoom platform

YF Coordinator

Mr. Pramod Varghese (P-152) 058 9232967

Fasting prayer Every Friday at 10:00 AM (Zoom Platform)
" Participate, pray and get the Healing Touch from our Almighty God."

Contact Lay Leaders.

Lay Leaders Anil V Mathew(A-185) -0505182585 | Shibu Thomas(S-106) -0505373928

Ponnomanakal

Exclusive fellowship for specially talented ponnomanakal and their parents will be held on Saturday 26th December 2020 at 4.00 pm

KIDS AND TEENS

| Date | Area | Time | Date | Area | Time |
|------------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------|---------|
| 05-12-2020 | SAN & NS | 5.00 pm | 24-12-2020 | UAQ | 5.00 pm |
| 16-12-2020 | CA | 7.00 pm | 26-12-2020 | ALK & BMW | 5.00 pm |
| 17-12-2020 | AJC & AGM | 5.00 pm | 27-12-2020 | ABC & ACC | 5.30 pm |
| 19-12-2020 | DXA & DXG | 4.30 pm | 28-12-2020 | MC | 5.30 pm |
| 23-12-2020 | IM & MM | 5.00 pm | 29-12-2020 | RSQ & RCH | 5.30 pm |
| 23-12-2020 | KHS | 7.00 pm | 30-12-2020 | SUC & SCS | 5.30 pm |



TINY MIRACLE 2020

**Christmas carol service on
Wednesday 23rd December 2020
from 8.30 PM through zoom platform**

**Zoom id: 5923187031
Password: Not required**



CONDOLENCES

- ◆ **Mr. Kunjappan Mathai**, (ID# K-28), our former member and Father of Rev. Ajeesh K Mathew (vicar, Jerusalem Mar Thoma church, Mundoor) was called to heavenly abode. Funeral service held at Valakom St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Kottarakkara, Kollam.
- ◆ **Mr. Thomas kurian**, 84 years, father of Mr. Abraham kurian (ID# A-119 , former Parish Secretary, RSQ) was called to heavenly abode. Funeral services held at Chachipunna Salem marthoma church. Punnala.
- ◆ **Mr. A.V Varghese**, (73 years), Father of Mrs. Bindhu Varghese (W/o Mr. Sam Luke Varghese ID# S-710, SAN) was called to heavenly abode. Funeral service held at St. Mary's Forane Church, Athirampuzha, Kottayam.
- ◆ **Mr. Varghese Kurian**, 61 Years, Brother of Mr. Joy Kurian (ID# J-455, ACC) was called to heavenly abode. Funeral service held at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church. Kodingil, Ayoor.
- ◆ **Mrs. Kunjamma Varghese**, 98 Years, Grand Mother of Mr. Titty Mathew (ID# T-277 MC Area Prayer group) was called to heavenly abode. Funeral held at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church. Kozhencherry.
- ◆ **Mr. M.P. Thomas**, 91 years old, Father of Mrs. Jessie Raju (W/O Mr. Raju John, ID# R-012, ALK) was called to the heavenly abode.
- ◆ **Our former member Mr. C. J. Abraham**, 82 years, was called to heavenly abode. He served as our parish Trustee Accounts (Year 1981). Funeral service held at Christose Mar Thoma Church, Ranni.
- ◆ **Mrs. Ivy Rajan Panampunna**, 90 Years, Grand Mother of Mr. Clinton Baby (ID# C-097, RCH) was called to heavenly abode. Funeral service held at Ebenezer Mar Thoma Church. East Fort, Thrissur.
- ◆ **Mr. Jacob Samuel**, 83 yrs, Father of Dr. Sophia Johnson (w/o Mr. Johnson Thomas ID# J-110, KHS) called to heavenly abode. Funeral Service held at Pandanad Nakkada Mar Thoma Church.
- ◆ **Mrs. Annamma John**, Sister of Mr. Lalan Varghese (ID# L-06, MM) was called to heavenly abode.
- ◆ **Mrs. Mary Thomas**, Mother of Mr. Thomas N T (ID# T-114, IM area prayer group) called to heavenly abode. Funeral will be held later at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Naranganam.

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



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