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Message from Youth Chaplain



Then Thomas (also known as Didymus[a]) said to the rest of the disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." John 11:16

Beloved Parishioners,

Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

On July 3rd the church has set apart as St. Thomas Day. For us remembering St. Thomas is important as St. Thomas is believed to have brought Christianity to India and we carry the same name.

St. Thomas appears four times in the Bible, and all are recorded in the gospel according to St. John. In John 11, Thomas demonstrates a commitment to something bigger than himself, a cause, a project to which he's willing to give himself totally. As Jesus turned his face to Jerusalem, the other disciples warn Jesus of the danger that awaits him, but Thomas cries out: let us also go with him and die.

It's a dramatic statement. Perhaps he didn't understand the consequences of what he was saying, but what is clear is his undoubted passion and commitment to the mission, a mission that extends beyond his own personal desires or plans, a mission he believes passionately can change the world.

He is also a person who has been nicknamed Doubting Thomas but at the same time, he is the one who utters five simple words of unwavering faith: My Lord and my God.

Commitment, questions, doubt, and faith are what Thomas had to share with the world, the gift he gives us today.

What are the questions we have for God? What are the doubts we want to explore? What is the faith we are being called to put into action?

The month of July has been set aside as Tithe Sunday also. The tithe that we are offering is it ours? Well many of us think so. But the tithe was recognized as God's. People in the Old Testament didn't give a tithe but repaid it to the Owner of all things. Rarely does the Bible speak of giving a tithe, but rather of "taking", "presenting", or even "paying" tithes. The tithe was explicit and objective. It required no heart response. It was expected.

In the Old Testament, the tithe served a threefold purpose. Sacrificial purpose, the domestic needs of the Levites, and for whatever emergencies faced. The purpose of tithing is to teach you always to put God first in your lives. (Deut. 14:23) and it also provides for the work of God's church. In Malachi 3:10 we read "Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house". In the Old Testament, the storehouse was next to the temple. It's where people brought their tithes to support God's work.

Tithing enables the church to do the ministry that He has planned for it. If everyone tithed, the opportunities for service and blessing through the church would multiply dramatically.

We as a church have been a solace and a ray of hope for many. May we continue to fulfil the responsibilities entrusted to us.

With prayerful regards

Jijo Achen

from Parish Secretary



Dearly Beloved in Christ.

Not on my merits, but on His Grace:

Our Parish is a Great Basket of the best talents from around the world. We are having members from over 700 parishes, scattered over the world Mar Thoma Sabha and the unity in this diversity makes the Parish more wonderful.

An array of best-selected Priests to lead the Parishioners, a generation of committed Seniors, a very active Savikasangam, a purpose-driven Edavaka Mission, a vibrant Youth League, a Youth Fellowship, a very melodious Choir, and a charming Sunday School. The collective performance in the unity of all these organizations is the success of this Parish.

When you integrate into a community by actively participating and opening yourself and understanding the way others live, your journey becomes wonderful. Giving back to society builds relationships, strengthens communities, and profits people less fortunate. And here our Parish stands.

I am very much humbled and honored to be the Secretary of this Great Parish.

With lots of love and regards

Raju Samuel – Edavaka Secretary

July 2022, Monthly Area Prayer Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Area	
3-Jul-22	Sunday	7:00 PM	ALK	DXG
4-Jul-22	Monday	8:30 PM	AJC	RCH
5-Jul-22	Tuesday	8:30 PM	MC	NS
10-Jul-22	Sunday	7:00 PM	DXA	UAQ
11-Jul-22	Monday	8:30 PM	CA	BMW
12-Jul-22	Tuesday	8:30 PM	ABC	MM
17-Jul-22	Sunday	7:00 PM	SAN	AGM
18-Jul-22	Monday	8:30 PM	SUC	SCS
19-Jul-22	Tuesday	8:30 PM	ACC	IM
26-Jul-22	Tuesday	8:30 PM	RSQ	KHS

August Prayer Dates:

1-8-2022 AJC&RCH, 2-8-2022 MC & NS

7-8-2022 ALK&DXG. 08-8-2022 CA&BMW, 09-8-2022 ABC&MM

14-8-2022 DXA&UAQ. 15-8-2022 SUC&SCS, 16-8-2022 ACC&IM

21-8-2022 SAN&AGM, 23-8-2022 RSQ&KHS



Jacob George
(J 320)

Message From Lay Leaders



Alexander K. T.
(A 071)

"But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant" (Matthew 23:11)"

Greetings in the precious name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

We would consider it as our great privilege that we have been chosen by the our heavenly Father to serve as Lay Ministrants of the Sharjah Mar Thoma Church for the Report Year 2022-2023. We would like to extend our sincere gratitude to our Vicars and all our Parish members for giving us this opportunity. We hope that the responsibilities entrusted to us will enable us to grow more in His grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Jesus counseled His disciples, "Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation" (Matthew 26:41). Through prayer, we can overcome our temptations to sin. Let us pray for God's help to keep us from making wrong choices. This will give each one of us the strength to do what is right. There must be people who pray for those who never pray. Praying for another is like a heart reconciled to God's grace. Prayer brings healing to the sick, peace to the afflicted, and deliverance to those in distress. The miracles of the Holy Spirit can happen only through our collective prayer. We can all participate in the fasting prayer which is being organized on every Sunday at 10.00AM through the online platform. Let us come together in this fellowship that emphasizes intercessory prayer and meditation on God's Word

With the guidance of our beloved Vicar, Asst. Vicar and the Youth Chaplain and the prayers of all our parishioners, May God Almighty strengthen us to do His ministry in the Altar. We appreciate the hard work and dedication of the past Lay leaders of our Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish and we shall try to continue our fellowship with the same momentum. May God continue to bless you all.

With prayers

Jacob George (J 320)

Alexander K. T. (A 071)

HOLY QURBANA LECTINARY & AREA ACOLYTES

Date	Day-Time	Area Schedule	Holy Qurbana	First Lesson	Second Lesson	Epistle / Gospel
			Theme			
08 July	Fri. 8:00 PM	DXG	Priests Ambassadors of Christ	Ezek 33:1-7	1Pet 5:1-11	2Cor 5:14-21
09 July	Sat. 8:00 PM	English	വൈദിക ഞായർ. വൈദികർ ക്രിസ്തുവിന്റെ സഹാചാരികൾ			
10 July	Sun.7.30 AM	I M				
15 July	Fri. 8:00 PM	KHS	Anointing the sick; Sacrament of Healing	Jer 8:15-22	Rev 22:01-05	James 5:13-20 Mark 06:07-13
16 July	Sat. 8:00 PM	Sr.Citizen	തൈലാഭിഷേകം സൗഖ്യത്തിന്റെ കൂദാശ			
17 July	Sun.7.30 AM	M C				
22 July	Fri.8:00 PM	MM	The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony	Gen 24:10-27	Heb 13:1-6	Eph 5:20-32 Matt 19:1-12
23 July	Sat.8:00 PM	NS	വിശുദ്ധവിവാഹം എന്ന കൂദാശ			
24 July	Sun.7:30 AM	English				
29 July	Fri.8:00 PM	RCH	Theological Education for the confirmation of Faith.	Deut 6:1-13	Gal 3:1-14	1Cor 4:14-21 John 3:10-21
30 July	Sat. 8:00 PM	RSQ	വിശ്വാസ ദൃഢീകരണത്തിനായുള്ള ദൈവശാസ്ത്ര അഭ്യാസം			
31 July	Sun.7:30 AM	SAN				
05 August	Fri. 8:00 PM	SCS	I am not ashamed of the Gospel.	Jer 7:1-7	Rom 1:8-17	2Tim 2:1-13 Matt10:16-23
06 August	Sat.8:00 PM	SUC	സുവിശേഷത്തെക്കുറിച്ചു എതിർ ചർച്ചയില്ല			
07 August	Sun.7:30 AM	UAQ				

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

Contact Lay Leaders.

Lay Leaders : Mr. Alexander K.T (A-71) -050 5378753 | Mr. Jacob George (J-320) -050 7152611

Parish Spiritual Organisations & Events

Sunday School:

Head Mistress: Mrs. Mercy Mathew (M02)050-5275432
Asst. Head Mistress: Mrs. Sosamma Eapen(J-45)050-1354246
Secretary: Mr. Suraj Thomas (S-239) 055-1438682

- **Sunday School is closed for Summer Vacation and Re-opens on 4th September 2022.**

Parish Mission:

Vice President: Mr. George Thomas(G-62) 052-9088710
Secretary: Mr. Binu Easo Samuel(B-25) 050-4792155
Every Wednesday evening from 8:00 PM to 8:25 PM as a prayer cell and from 8.30 PM onwards regular meeting.

Senior Citizens Forum:

Vice President - Mr. Cherian Mathew (C-44) 050-5660780
Secretary – Mr. John Mathew (J-28) 050-6265926
Regular meeting every third Sunday at 8:00 PM online.

Sevikasangam:

Vice President- Mrs. Annamma Cherian (C-11) 055-3557077
Secretary- Mrs. Kavitha Biju (B105) 050-1738616
Regular meeting every Thursday at 8.30 PM online.

Yuvajana Sakhyam:

Vice President: Mr. Thomas Varghese (T-41) 055-8046091
Secretary: Mr. Sanu K Thomas (S-482) 055-1448549
Lady Secretary: Mrs. Aleesha M Varghese (V-26) 052-9607593
Regular meeting on Wednesdays at 8.30 PM online.

- **Malayalam class from 17th July 2022 to 28th July 2022.**

Church Choir:

Vice President – Mr. Mathew Philip (M-60) 050-6748136
Secretary – Mrs. Shirley Thomas (T-112) 050-8023477
Choir Master – Mr. Jacob Mani (Sajeev) (J-98) 050-6976029
Choir Practices every Thursday at 8.30 PM online.

Youth Fellowship:

YF Coordinator: Mr. Joel M Mathew (M-2) 055-2764596.

Regular meetings on Sunday at 4:00 PM.

Hearty Welcome to New Members



Tinu Oommen (T-308) RSQ

055-1298964
St.Thomas MTC - Chunakara



Kurian P Simon (K-104) ALK

052-1586996
Salem MTC Ernakulam



Roshin Thomas Koshy (R319) DXG

056-7118489
St. John's MTC - Vadasserikara



SAIBU SAM (S-747) NS

050-7452324
Bethel MTC Myladumpara



Jibin Thomas George (J-648) NS

056-8747047
St. Thomas MTC - Puliyoor



Sanju Sam (S-746) DXG

056-2625898
St. Pauls MTC - Vathikulam



Robin Varghese Malayil (R-318) SAN

050-4342399
St.Thomas MTC - Kozhencherry



LUKE V MATHEW (L-89) AGM

055-5684375
Christose MTC -Chathannur



ACHU ABRAHAM KOSHY (A-450) MC

050-1267247
St. Thomas M.T.C. Tiruvalla

Ponnomanakal

Exclusive fellowship for specially talented ponnomanakal and their parents.

KIDS & TEENS MEETINGS

Date	Day	Time	Area
16-Jul-22	SATURDAY	16.00	ABC
16-Jul-22	SATURDAY	16.00	ACC
16-Jul-22	SATURDAY	11.30	AGM
16-Jul-22	SATURDAY	11.30	AJC
19-Jul-22	TUESDAY	10.00	ALK
19-Jul-22	TUESDAY	10.00	BMW
20-Jul-22	WEDNESDAY	10.00	CA
16-Jul-22	SATURDAY	10.00	DXA
16-Jul-22	SATURDAY	10.00	DXG
26-Jul-22	TUESDAY	10.00	IM
23-Jul-22	SATURDAY	10.00	KHS
29-Jul-22	FRIDAY	16.00	MC
29-Jul-22	FRIDAY	10.00	MM
27-Jul-22	WEDNESDAY	10.00	NS
22-Jul-22	FRIDAY	17.30	RCH
22-Jul-22	FRIDAY	17.30	RSQ
22-Jul-22	FRIDAY	16.00	SAN
23-Jul-22	SATURDAY	16.00	SCS
23-Jul-22	SATURDAY	16.00	SUC
30-Jul-22	SATURDAY	16.00	UAQ

HOLY MATRIMONY

1. Mr. Vinay Thomas Varghese son of Mrs & Mr. Reji Varghese Thoms R-71 KHS area prayer group & Ms. Elena Saji Thomas, daughter of Mrs & Dr. Saji Thomas on 07 07 2022.
2. Dr. Robin Renny George son of Mrs & Mr. George Thomas G-52 of KHS area prayer group and Dr. Anjana Babu, daughter of Mrs & Mr. K.S. Babu on 11 07 2022.
3. Mr. Shibin Tom Raju son of Mrs & Mr. Raju John R-12 of Alkhan are prayer group and Ms. Priya Susan Kuruvila, daughter of Mrs & Mr. Kuruvila George on 11 07 2022.
4. Mr. Arin Alexander Regi son of Mrs & Mr. Regi D Alexander R-213 of Ajman area prayer group and Ms. Sandra Mary Prasad, daughter of Mrs & Mr. Prasad K John P-104 of Ajman area prayer group on 16 07 2022.

We the Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish wishes all the very best to the young couple. May God bless the Holy Matrimony.



SHARJAH MAR THOMA YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

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Malayalam Class



Classes are via Online



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Convenors and Joint Convenors of various committees.

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1	General Convenor (Maintenance)	Mr. Soby John	S-340	055-5585046
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Samuel P Mathew	S-027	050-6311413
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Ajeev Joyson	A-195	050-5242554
2	Charity Convenor	Mr. Samuel P Mathew	S-027	050-6311413
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Binu Pappachan	B-329	050-3546850
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Abey P Samuel	A-181	050-2703904
3	General Convenor (Harvest Festival)	Mr. Koshy Abraham	K-057	050-5245663
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Varghese Abraham	V-044	050-5776814
	Food Committee Convenor	Mr. Sebi Zac	S-337	050-4885306
	Jt. Convenor	Mrs. Kavitha Biju	B-105	050-3043253
	Convenor - General Arrangements	Mr. Ajeev Joyson	A-195	050-5242554
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Jigi Mathew	J-309	050-7485025
	Convenor- Auction	Mr. Rajeev Abraham	R-204	050-2174168
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Nidheesh Abraham	N-029	050-4875330
	Convenor-Entertainment & Games	Mr. Renish Abraham	R-192	050-5776814
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Bixen P C	B-304	055-3623820
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		Mr. Jacob George	J-320	050-7152611
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	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Sujith Thomas John	S-465	050-5505320
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Jophy Jose	J-348	050-7053148
	Jt. Convenor	Mr. Rubin Raju	R-227	052-5426826
6	Librarian	Mr. Issac Abraham	I-023	050-5595484
		Mr. Jinu Oommen Vaidyan	J-185	050-7948319
7	Coordinator for Transport	Mr. Abey Simon	A-340	055-5710180
8	Ponnomanakal	Mrs. Kavitha Biju	B-105	050-3043253
		Mr. Isaac Abraham	I-023	055-5595484
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CONDOLENCES



Mr. Shaji John (59 Years)

(RCH Prayer Group)

St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church - Kidagannoor.

We express our heartfelt condolences on the demise of our member

- ◆ **Mr. M.A. Oommen** 83 years, father of Mr. Aby Oommen, ID A-368 and father-in-law of Mr. Jacob Thomas, ID J-154, both MC area prayer group. Funeral services were held on 02-06-2022.
- ◆ **Mr. M. Thomas**, 77 years father of Mr. Mathew Thomas, ID M-209 of SUC area prayer group. Funeral services were held on 11-06-2022.
- ◆ **Mrs. Annamma Mathew** 89 years, mother-in-law of Mr. Mathew Varghese IDM-95 of DXG area prayer group. Funeral services were held on 08-06-2022.
- ◆ **Mrs. Thresiamma Abraham** 79 years, mother-in-law of Mr. Koshy John ID K-19 of KHS area prayer group. Funeral services were held.
- ◆ **Mr. P.M. Thomas** 69 years, father-in-law of Mr. Reni Chacko ID R-149 of KHS area prayer group. Funeral services were held on 25 06 2022.
- ◆ **Mr. T.M. John** 82 years, father of Mr. Shijoy John ID S-684 of SAN area prayer group. Funeral services were held on 1-07-2022.

We, the Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish express our sincere condolences and prayers to the bereaved family and praying God Almighty to console them with His Everlasting Peace.



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