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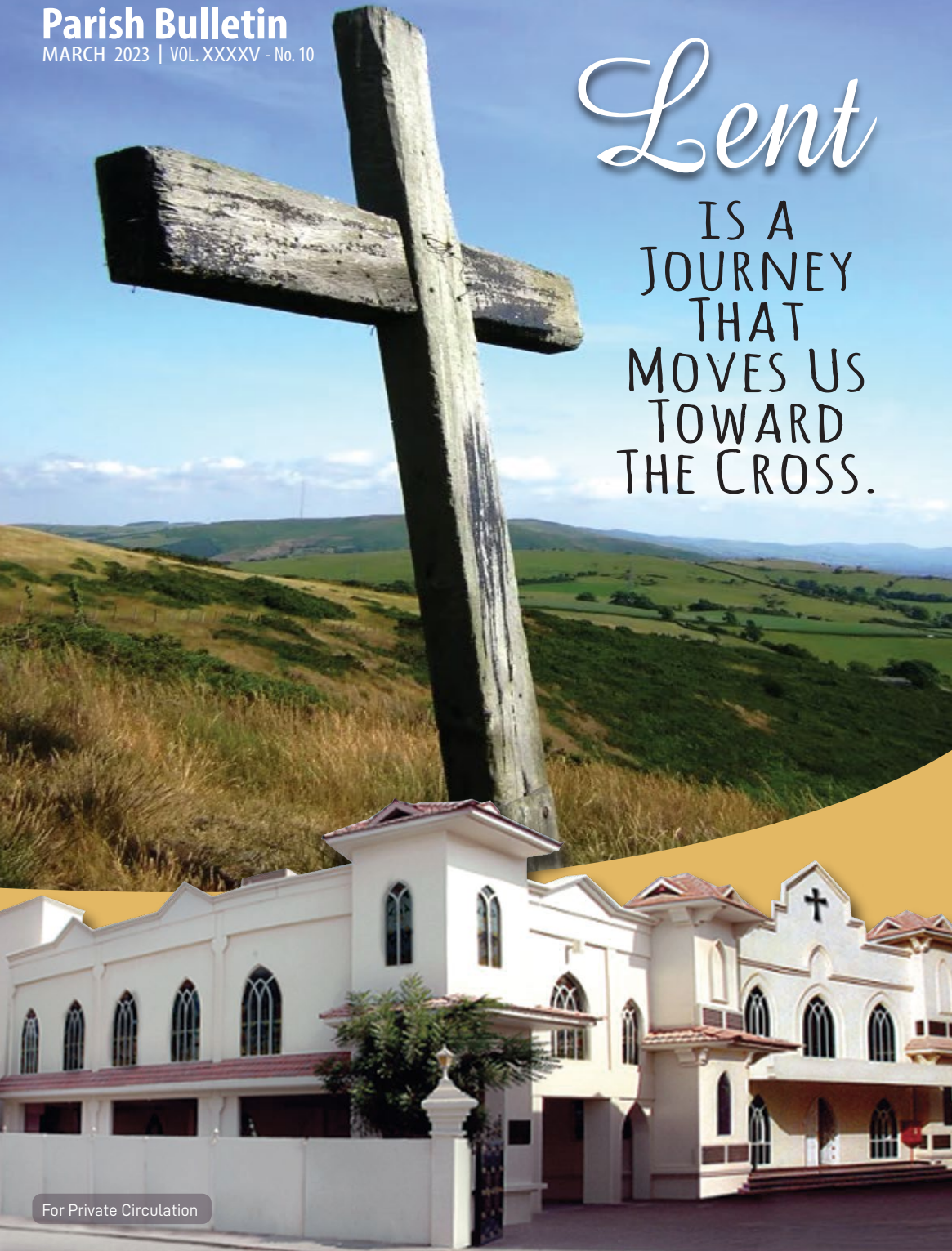
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Lent

IS A
JOURNEY
THAT
MOVES US
TOWARD
THE CROSS.



Message from Youth Chaplain



Dear Parishioners,

We are once again in the season of Lent, Lent is a time of reflection, repentance, and spiritual renewal, and it is a time for us to draw closer to God through prayer, fasting, and giving.

Prayer is a central aspect of our Christian faith, and during Lent, we are called to deepen our prayer lives. We can do this by setting aside dedicated time for prayer each day, participating in prayer groups, or attending special services during Lent. Prayer is a way for us to connect with God, to seek His guidance and comfort, and to thank Him for His blessings. Every evening we have Sandhya Namaskaram at our church and request you all to prayerfully participate and be blessed.

Fasting is another important aspect of Lent, as it reminds us of our dependence on God and helps us to focus on our spiritual needs. We can fast from food, from technology, or from any other habit or behavior that may be distracting us from our relationship with God. Fasting allows us to break free from the things that hold us back and to refocus our attention on what truly matters.

Finally, giving is a key part of our Christian faith, and during Lent, we are called to be generous to those in need. This can take many forms, from giving financially to volunteering our time to help others. Giving is a way for us to demonstrate God's love and compassion to those around us, and it helps us to become more Christ-like in our daily lives.

As we journey through this season of Lent, let us commit to deepening our prayer lives, fasting from distractions, and giving generously to those in need. May we emerge from this season of spiritual renewal stronger in our faith and more committed to serving others.

With prayerful Blessings,
Jijo Achen

HOLY QURBANA LECTIONARY & AREA ACOLYTES -FEBRUARY 2023

Date	Day-Time	Area Acolytes	Holy Qurbana Theme	First Lesson	Second Lesson	Epistle / Gospel
03 Mar	Fri. 7.30 PM	DXG	Jesus Christ who forgives sins. Third Sunday of Great Lent: പാപവിമോചകനായ യേശു ക്രിസ്തു. നോമ്പിൽ മൂന്നാം ഞായർ.	Isa 33:13-24	Heb 9:11-20	Col 2:8-15 Mark 2:1-12
04 Mar	Sat. 7.30 PM	IM				
05 Mar	Sun.7.30 AM	KHS				
10 Mar	Fri. 7:30 PM	MC	Jesus Christ who includes all. സകലരെയും ഉൾക്കൊള്ളുന്ന യേശുക്രിസ്തു. (നോമ്പിൽ നാലാം ഞായർ)	Isa 45:1-8	Acts 10:34-43	Gal 3:23-29 Matt 15:21-28
11 Mar	Sat.7:30 PM	English				
12 Mar	Sun.7.30 AM	MM				
17 Mar	Fri.7:30 PM	NS	Jesus Christ who Redeems. വിമോചനം നേടുന്ന യേശുക്രിസ്തു (നോമ്പിൽ അഞ്ചാം ഞായർ)	Exo 3:1-10	1 Pet 1:18-25	Rom 3:23-31 Luke 13:10-17
18 Mar	Sat.7:30 PM	Sr.C.F				
19 Mar	Sun.7.30 AM	RCH				
24 Mar	Fri.7:30 PM	RSQ	Jesus Christ who Leads to New Vision. നവദർശനത്തിലേക്ക് നയിക്കുന്ന യേശുക്രിസ്തു (നോമ്പിൽ ആറാം ഞായർ)	Ezek 37:1-14	Phil 3:7-16	Col 3:1-11 Mark10:46-52
25 Mar	Sat.7:30 PM	SAN				
26 Mar	Sun.7.30 AM	English				
31 Mar	Fri.7:30 PM	SCS	Hosanna: Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem-Alternative Style of Kingship. ഹോശാന: യേശുക്രിസ്തുവിന്റെ ഹയരൂശലേമിലേക്കുള്ള പ്രവേശനം-രാജ്യത്തിന്റെ ബദൽ ശൈലി.വൈദിക സെമിനാരി ഞായർ.	Zach 9:1-12	Heb 5:5-10	Col 1:15-23 Matt 21:1-17
01 Apr	Sat.7:30 PM	SUC				
02 Apr	Sun.7.30 AM	UAQ				

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE AT UAQ PRAYER HALL ON EVERY 2nd SUNDAY AT 7:00 PM

Contact details for UAQ Prayer:

Mr. Kuruvilla P Varghese: (ID-K031) Tel. 050-5390165 | Mr. K.B. Mathew: (ID-B-212) Tel. 055-9419157

FASTING PRAYER: Every Sunday at 12:15 pm at Parish Hall

"Participate, pray and get the Healing Touch from our Almighty God".

Contact Lay Leaders:

Mr. Alexander K.T (A-071) 050-5378753 | Mr. Jacob George (J-320) 050-7152611.

March 2023 – Monthly Area Prayer Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Area	Hosted by
05 03 2023	Sunday	8.00 PM	ALK DXG	Area prayer groups will be assisting Sandhya Namaskaram from 8 PM to 9 PM and separate prayer afterwards.
06 03 2023	Monday	8.00 PM	AJC RCH	
07 03 2023	Tuesday	8.00 PM	MC NS	
12 03 2023	Sunday	7.00 PM	DXA UAQ	
13 03 2023	Monday	8.30 PM	CA BMW	
14 03 2023	Tuesday	8.30 PM	ABC MM	
19 05 2023	Sunday	7.00 PM	SAN AGM	
20 03 2023	Monday	8.30 PM	SUC SCS	
21 03 2023	Tuesday	8.30 PM	ACC IM	
28 03 2023	Tuesday	8.30 PM	RSQ KHS	

April 2023 Prayer Dates :

2-4-2023 ALK & DXG., 3-4-2023 AJC & RCH., 4-4-2023 MC & NS
 9-4-2023 DXA & UAQ., 10-4-2023 CA & BMW., 11-4-2023 ABC & MM
 16-4-2023 SAN & AGMC., 17-4-2023 SUC & SCS., 18-4-2023 ACC & IM.,
 25-4-2023 RSQ & KHS.

New Born

1. Mrs. Reo Ann Raj and Mr. Shiju Thomas Mathew ID S-600 NS were Blessed with a baby boy Aiden Raj Thomas on 24 01 2023.
2. Mrs. Merin Siby & Mr. Siby Thomas ID S-735 SAN area were blessed with a baby boy Henry Thomas on 18-02-2023.
3. Mrs. Christa Sara John & Mr. Joel M Mathew ID M-002 ALK Area were blessed with a baby daughter Dania Mercy Joel on 14-02-2023.

We as a Parish bless the newborn baby and pray the health and well-being of the baby and the parents.



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: Mrs. Subin Shibu (S-310) 052-9129084

- **Sunday School is Every Saturday 5 pm to 7 pm and Every Sunday After Holy Communion Service at 10 am.**
- **UAQ Sunday School Every Sunday at 5 pm at UAQ Prayer Hall.**

Parish Mission:

Vice President : Mr. George Thomas(G-62) 052-9088710

Secretary : Mr. Binu Easo Samuel(B-25) 050-4792155

Every Sunday 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) 050-5860780

Secretary – Mr. John Mathew (J-28) 050-6265926

Regular meeting on every 3rd Sunday from 8 PM onwards.

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.

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.

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 at Church.

Youth Fellowship:

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

Regular meetings on Sunday at 4:00 PM.

Church Library:

Church Library is open every Saturday from 5 PM to 7 PM and every Sunday from 10.00 AM onwards.

Librarians: Mr. Jinu Oommen Vaidyan: ID J-185 Tel. 050-7948319

Mr. Isaac Abraham: ID I-023 Tel. 050-5595484

Coordinator for Transport: Mr. Abey Simon: ID A-340 Tel. 055-5710180

Hearty Welcome to New Members



Mr. Linu Philip L-093 (RCH)
MTC – Valakuzhy
Tel # 056-7482985



Mr. Jijo Babu J-656 (RSQ)
MTC – Pattamala
Tel # 056-8434549



Mr. Liju Raj L-092 (IM)
MTC- Mannady
Tel # 055-8297454



Mr. Roshan P James R-323 (SUC)
St. Thomas MTC -Attachakal
Tel # 052-5715068



Mr. Jobin A George J-657 (SUC)
SBethlehem MTC-Mallasserry
Tel # 054-4468516



Mr. Togy Koshy Abraham T-314 (ABC)
Trinity MTC Medical College - TVM
Tel # 050-4516640



Mr. Jose Jacob J-660 (SCS)
MTC Perayam, Mulavana, Kollam
Tel # 050-7064530



Mr. Gimmy K George G-201(MC)
Immanuel MTC – Pandanad
Tel # 056-9332520



Mr. Jerry Luke J-658 (DXG)
MTC – Chetpet - Chennai
Tel # 058-5681718



Mr. Joseph Koshy J-659(NS)
Sehion MTC – Venmony
Tel # 056-8313399



Mr. Melby Koshy Skaria M-316 (MC)
MTC- Omalloor
Tel # 050-8775845

Please get in touch with the Area Prayer Group Secretaries and involve in all Church Activities.



SHARJAH MAR THOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL



VBS 2023

Theme: Root and Fruit

(Isaiah 37:31)

Director



Rev. Rovin Varughese John
(Vicar, Ludhiana Marthoma Church)

JUNIOR VBS

(Nursery 1 - Primary 2)

9 TO 13 APRIL, 2023

TIME : 6:45PM TO 9PM

Final Day: 15th April 2023

SENIOR VBS

(Junior 1 - Young Adult 2)

16 TO 20 APRIL, 2023

TIME: 6:45PM TO 9PM

Final Day : 22nd April 2023

Students registration :

In Sunday School Class with AED 15

VBS Teachers registration :

Parish members & Sunday School Teachers
please register using QR code



Rev. Mathew Abraham
(President, SMTSS)

Rev. Renjith Oommen John
(Vice President, SMTSS)

Rev. Jijo Varghese
(Youth Chaplain, SMTSS)

Mrs. Mercy Mathews
Headmistress
050-5275432

Mrs. Subi Shibu
Secretary
052-9129084

Mr. Mathew M Johnson
VBS Convener
055-9860375

Mr. Rency Mathews
VBS Jt. Convener
050-7852567

Mr. Ashok Rajan
Teachers' Coordinator
050-3614229

Mrs. Kavitha Biju
Teachers' Coordinator
050-1738616

Farewell



Mr. Varghese Mathew & Family ID V-71 (DXG)

Farewell



Mr. Ninan Abraham & Family ID N-9(RCH)

Farewell



Mr. Saji T lype & Family ID S-617 (SAN)

Farewell



Mr. Shinu Raju & Family ID S-519 (SAN)

Farewell



Mr. Jobin George & Family ID J-416 (DXG)

Farewell



Mr. Sajan Joseph & Family ID S-288 (ALK)

Ponnomakal

*Exclusive fellowship for especially talented ponnomakal and their parents parents on every 4th Saturday at 3.30 PM(March 2023 meeting on 25 03 2023).
Coordinators : Mrs. Kavitha Biju: ID B-105 Tel. 050-1738616
Mr. Isaac Abraham: ID I-023 Tel. 050-5595484*

CONDOLENCES



Mr. Kurian Lalu (70 Years)

(ID K-001, RSQ Area)

Puthenpurayil House, Nannuvakkadu, Pathanamthitta

We express our heartfelt condolences on the demise of our member

Funeral service held on 9th February 2023
at Mar Thoma Church, Pathanamthitta

- ◆ **Mrs. Annamma Alexander** 83 years, mother of our former Youth Chaplain Rev. Zacharia Alexander entered Eternity and funeral services were held on 03-02-2023 at MTC Thuruthikkadu.
- ◆ **Mr. Thomas Cherian** 69 years brother of Mr. T.V. Mathew ID M-38 RSQ area prayer entered Eternity on 02-02-2023 and funeral services were held.
- ◆ **Mr. Soman Thomas** 76 years brother-in-law of Mr. George Thomas ID G-62 IM area entered Eternity on 07-02-2023 and funeral services were held on 10-02-2023 Malamugal Cemetery TVM.
- ◆ **Mr. K.C. Skaria** 77 years father-in-law of Mr. Ani Mathew ID A-273 of UAQ area prayer entered Eternity on 09-02-2023 and funeral services were held on 10-02-2023 at St. Thomas MTC Mulakuzha.
- ◆ **Mr. Mathai Abraham** 90 years father of Mr. Varghese Mathew ID V-158 SUC area prayer entered Eternity on 10-02-2023 and funeral services were held on 11-02-2023 at MTC Karikkattoor.
- ◆ **Mr. Rajan Daniel** 70 years father of Mr. Rensi Rajan ID R-280 of SAN area prayer entered Eternity on 13-02-2023 and funeral services were held on 15-02-2023 at Thazakkara MTC Mavelikara.
- ◆ **Mr. Rajan Daniel** ID R-5, our former member entered Eternity, and funeral services were held on 18-02-2023 at MTC Nellikkala.
- ◆ **Mrs. Rajamma George** 84 years, mother of Mr. Koshy George ID K-75 of the RCH area entered Eternity on 14-02-2023 and funeral services were held on 15-02-2023 at Cherukole MTC Mavelikara.
- ◆ **Mrs. Sosamma Itty** 68 years, mother of Mr. Ginu K Itty ID G-171 of ACC area prayer entered Eternity on 18-02-2023 and funeral services were held at MTC Mallappally.
- ◆ **Mr. Shaiju K John** 52 years brother-in-law of Mr. Titus George ID T-194 of ALK area prayer entered Eternity on 18-02-2023. Funeral services will be held later at Elia Cathedral Kottayam.
- ◆ **Mrs. Gracy Thomas** 92 years mother-in-law of Mr. Roy Mathew ID R-110 of KHS area entered Eternity on 22-02-2023 and funeral services were held on 24-02-2023 at St. John's CSI Church Neelampara, Chelakombu.
- ◆ **Mrs. Mariamma Varghese** 80 years, mother of Mr. Abey Varghese ID A-58 of CA prayer group entered Eternity on 23-02-2023 and funeral services were held at Immanuel MTC, Cherukole, Kozhencherry.
- ◆ **Mrs. Sosamma Yohannan** 84 years mother of Mr. Itty Yohannan ID I-27 of CA prayer group entered Eternity and funeral services were held on 01-03-2023 at MTC Vettiyar.
- ◆ **Mrs. Aleyamma Thomas** 95 years the paternal grandmother of Mr. Samuel T Eappen ID S-667 DXG area entered Eternity and funeral services were held on 24 02 2023 at St. Andrews CSI Church, Upputhara.
- ◆ **Mrs. Ammini Alex** 74 years, sister of Mr. Raju Samuel ID R-66 of DXG area entered Eternity on 27-02-2023, and funeral services were held on 28-02-2023 at Malankara Catholic Church at Jaipur.
- ◆ **Mrs. Aleyamma Mathai** 84 years grandmother of Mr. Jerin Raju Mathew ID J-627 and Mr. Jebin Raju Mathew ID J-628 both AJC area prayer and mother-in-law of our former member Mr. Raju Mathew ID R-15 entered Eternity on 27-02-2023 and funeral services were held.
- ◆ **Mr. C.C. Mathew** 82 years, brother of Mr. C.C. Thomas ID T-17 of ALK area prayer entered Eternity and funeral services were held at St. Peter's MTC, Pune on 05-03-2023.

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



For more informations, Please contact:

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Youth : Rev Jijo Varghese
Chaplain 050-2214400
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Parish : Mr. Raju Samuel (R-66)
Secretary Mob. 050-4545250
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Vice President Mr. Cherian Thomas (C-7)
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Trustee : Mr. Alex Abraham (A-6)
Finance Mob. 050-6283182

Trustee : Mr. Varghis Philip (V-96)
Accounts Mob:050-7673543

Webmaster: Mr. Aji Thomas ID A - 95 | 050 6283036 webmaster@marthomaparishsharjah.com

Church Care Takers:
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List of Areas/Organizations leading Sandya Namaskaram - 2023

Date	Day	Area / Organaization
March 05, 2023	Sunday	ALK & IJXG
March 06, 2023	Monday	A.IC & RCH
March 07, 2023	Tuesday	MC & NS
March 08, 2023	Wednesday	Yuvajana Sakhyam
March 09, 2023	Thursday	Parish Mission
March 10, 2023	Friday	Holy Qurbana
March 11, 2023	Saturday	Holy Qurbana
March 12, 2023	Sunday	DXA & UAQ
March 13, 2023	Monday	CA & BMW
March 14, 2023	Tuesday	ABC & MM
March 15, 2023	Wednesday	Senior Citizen
March 16, 2023	Thursday	Sevika Sangam
March 17, 2023	Friday	Holy Qurbana
March 18, 2023	Saturday	Holy Qurbana
March 19, 2023	Sunday	SAN & AGM
March 20, 2023	Monday	SUC & SCS
March 21, 2023	Tuesday	ACC & IM
March 22, 2023	Wednesday	Yuvajana Sakhyam
March 23, 2023	Thursday	Choir
March 24, 2023	Friday	Holy Qurbana
March 25, 2023	Saturday	Holy Qurbana
March 26, 2023	Sunday	Parish Mission
March 27, 2023	Monday	Sunday School
March 28, 2023	Tuesday	RSQ & KHS
March 29, 2023	Wednesday	Senior Citizen
March 30, 2023	Thursday	Sevika Sangam
March 31, 2023	Friday	Holy Qurbana
April 01, 2023	Saturday	Holy Qurbana