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Independence Day*

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Message From Asst. Vicar

"THY WORD IS A LAMP OF MY FEET" - Ps. 119:105

My Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ
Greetings of peace !

Jesus has assured us that "If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, move from here to there, and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you" (Mat 17:20). Through this Word of God, we know that no miracle happens without "Faith in God". We are called to cling to the Lord with our Faith. Faith in God helps us to grow in our spiritual life stronger. Faith comes from continuous prayer and reading the Word of God. It gives us strength to live with our daily struggles and troubles, happily.



A young man after a prayer meeting came and asked me I want to do great things in life. I understand God too wants that. But every time I start a project or a business, after some time I give up. I feel I can never make it. My initial enthusiasm dies quickly what I must do to have great faith. I explained him that faith does not just happen like that. It needs to be fostered and fed. Faith is nurtured when it is planted in fertile soil of the Word of God. When we continually hear and read the Word and meditate over it. The Word will then take roots in our hearts and give rise to faith in us. "Faith comes from what is heard and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ" (Rom 10:17). It is the Word of God that increases and strengthens our Faith, then will sustain us in all difficult moments of our life and lead us to accomplish our goal.

For the month of August our Lectionary is:

- * Gospel Goodness to all (Mission Sunday)
- * Independence Day, Freedom of Justice
- * Reformation Sunday - Worshipping Community, which has to be reformed by the Word of God.
- * Sacrament of Holy Qurbana
- * Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage
- * Christian witness in a multi faith society.

I thank for those who had attended the Sneha Sangamam. Congratulate the students who passed the board exams and wish the children a meaningful vacation. Our Malayalam classes for children were very helpful. I thank the Yuvajana Sakhyam. Please pray for the 18th Mar Thoma Gulf Youth Conference. I appreciate those who went for the mission fields and other institutions of Ranny-Nilackal Diocese. I believe it was very cherishing experience.

Dear friends I am grateful to God for being a constant guide to me through out last 21 years of my Ordained Ministry and giving me another chance to enter into the 22nd year. I also have completed one year of service in Sharjah and am entering into the second year. Thank You for the prayer and support. Please continue to support with your valuable prayer for my Ministry.

Thanking You! May God bless you! Yours in Christ,

Rev. Philip George



CONGRATULATION TO REV. PHILIP C. MATHEW



ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഫിലിപ്പ് സി. മാത്യു അച്ചൻ തന്റെ ശുശ്രൂഷയിൽ ഇരുപത്തിയഞ്ചാം വർഷത്തിലേക്ക് പ്രവേശിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു. അചഞ്ചലമായ ദൈവ വിശ്വാസത്തിന്റേയും, സമ്പൂർണ്ണ സമർപ്പണത്തിന്റേയും, തന്റെ സഭയോടും ഇടവക ജനങ്ങളോടും ഉള്ള അതാദായ സന്തോഷത്തിന്റേയും കരുതലിന്റേയും പ്രതീകമായ അച്ചൻ കർത്താവിന്റെ അനുഗ്രഹപ്രദമായി ദൈവനാമ മഹത്വത്തിന് സഭയുടേയും, സമൂഹത്തിന്റേയും, നമ്മുടേയും വളർച്ചയ്ക്കും തന്റെ ആയുസ്സിനെ പുതുക്കി സമർപ്പിക്കുന്ന ഈ അനുഗ്രഹവേളയിൽ ഉയരത്തിൽ നിന്നും ധാരാളമായ അനുഗ്രഹവും പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവിന്റെ നിറവും നൽകട്ടെ എന്ന് ഷാർജ്ജാ മാർത്തോമ്മാ ഇടവക ആശംസിക്കുന്നു.

HOLY QURBANA LECTONARY & AREA ACOLYTES

Date	Day-Time	Acolytes	Holy Qurbana	First Lesson	Second Lesson	Epistle / Gospel
		From	Theme			
01 08 2014	Fri. 7:30am	DXA	Gospel : Good news to all - (Mission Sunday)	Isa. 55:1-5	Acts 10:34-43	Eph. 3:1-13
03 08 2014	Sun.8:00pm	Parish Mission				St.Luke 4:16-22
07 08 2014	Thu.7:30pm	CA	Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage	Gen. 2:18-25	Heb. 13:1-6	Eph. 5:21-32
08 08 2014	Fri. 7:30am	DXG				St. Mat. 19:3-6
14 08 2014	Thu.7:30pm	IM	Reformation Day - Worshipping Community	2King.23:1-6	Rev. 1:1-9	1Pet. 1:13-25
15 08 2014	Fri. 7:30am	KHS				St.Mat. 7:21-27
15 08 2014	Fri. 7:00pm	Senior Citizen				
21 08 2014	Thu.7:30pm	MC	The Sacrament of Holy Qurbana	Gen.14:17-24	1Cor. 11:23-34	1Cor. 10:15-17
22 08 2014	Fri. 8:00am	Sunday School				St.Mark 14:12-26
28 08 2014	Thu.7:30pm	MM	Christian witness in a multi faith society	Dan. 1:1-21	Acts 10:9-16	1Pet. 2:1-10
29 08 2014	Fri. 7:30am	NS				St.Mat. 5:13-16
04 09 2014	Thu.7:30pm	RCH	Education for Liberation - Education Day	Prov. 8:1-12	Acts 8:26-38	Col. 1:24-29
05 09 2014	Fri. 7:30am	RSQ				St.Mark 6:34-44

NOTE FROM THE LAY LEADERS



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" I give thanks to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength for my work. I thank him for considering me worthy and appointing me to serve Him" (1 Timothy 1:12).



The ministry of the Laity is to represent Christ and His Church to bear witness to Him wherever they may be; and according to the gifts given them to carry on Christ's work. We are humble servants of the people in the congregation and Parish. We request all our Parish members to come and worship God for all His blessings, healings and deliverances through the 'Friday Fasting Prayer' after the Church service at the Navathy Hall.

HOLY LAND TOUR

The Holy Land Tour which is being organised by the Parish Mission will be held from 16-22nd of October 2014. Those interested to take part in this tour are requested to give their names to the Convenor Mr. George Thomas (ID G-52) or Parish Mission Officials. Kindly note that limited seats are only available.

Parish members who are changing residence, Area Prayer Group, Post Box or Telephone details may please submit the forms available at Church counter to update our records.

HEARTY WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

1	RCH	A-324	Mr. ASWIN DAVID KUNNATHU St. Pauls MTC, Perumbavoor dkaswin@gmail.com 050-9361289		10	ALK	P-132	Mr. PHILIP EAPPEN St. Stephen's MTC, Vadavathoor, Kottayam philiptalks@outlook.com 050-7796975	
2	SAN	A-325	Mr. A. ALEX MATHEWS (SUBI), St. Thomas MT Syrian Church, Klong subi70@yahoo.com 050-2460935		11	RCH	R-233	Mr. ROSHEN JOHN JOSEPH Bethlehem MTC, Kollad, Kottayam rjohn2486@hotmail.com 052-9013805	
3	IM	A-326	Mr. ANISH MATHEW Salem MTC, Mylapra, Pathanamthitta anishmathew99@gmail.com 055-5272859		12	NS	S-559	Mr. SANU ABY MATHEW (SANU) Jerusalem MTC, Valliyanthy, Mundukottackal, Kodammonitta sanuaby@gmail.com 055-5727313	
4	RSQ	B-275	Mr. BONY V. THOMAS (BONY), St. Pauls MTC, Perumbavoor bonyv1982@gmail.com 055-3286064		13	AJC	S-560	Mr. SINJU MATHEW JOHN St. Thomas MTC, Nilambur, Mallapuram sinjumjohn@gmail.com 056-7137314	
5	CA	C-91	Ms. CAROLINE RACHEL JACOB MTC, Bangalore, (Primrose Road) carolinejacob910@gmail.com 050-8657054		14	DXG	S-561	Mr. SHUJU VARGHESE MTC, Jaipur shuju.pharmacy@yahoo.co.in 056-2329182	
6	MC	G-169	Mr. GINSON THOMAS Salem MTC, Kayamkulam ginsonthomas@yahoo.co.in 055-5654220		15	UAQ	S-562	Mr. SAJIN KUNJACHEN Salem MTC, Kudara, Kollam 056-2692909	
7	RCH	J-495	Mr. JOHNS CHERIAN JOSEPH Bethlehem MTC, Kollad, Kottayam johnsjoseph1988@gmail.com 050-5499462		16	MM	V-162	Mr. VARGHESE M. MATHEW (ANISH) MTC, Dubai varghesem.mathew@yahoo.co.in 050-2523799	
8	IM	K-87	Mr. KURIYAN P. JOHN St. George MTC, Fort Kochi kuriyanp@yahoo.com 055-2255726		17	NS	V-163	Mr. VARGHESE T. KOLATHU (VELBIN) St. Johns MTC, Kumplamthanam velbin@gmail.com 055-8292647	
9	NS	L-56	Mr. LIGO PHILIP SIMON Salem MTC, Kurianoor, Thadiyoor lijophilipsimon@gmail.com 050-7209241		18	KHS	V-164	Mr. VARUGHESE C. T. (SHAJI) MTC, Kuzhikala, Kozhencherry shaji0777@gmail.com 050-2123323	

CARE TAKER - POST

Sharjah Mar Thoma church invites application for the post of Care Taker from male Mar Thoma church members under 35 years, regularly attending church services in their parish, willing to stay full time in church accommodation. U.A.E. Driving License holders will be preferred. Interested candidates may apply with their home parish Vicar's recommendation letter to the Sharjah Mar Thoma Church Vicar before 15th August 2014.

KIDS AND TEENS FELLOWSHIP

AJC area Kids & Teens Fellowship on 09 08 2014 at 4:30 to 6:00 pm at the residence of Mr. P. C. Varghese (V-26) - Tel.: 06-7441473

NEW BORN:

- ★ A baby girl, Ishaana Leelam Cecil, is born to Mr. Cecil Mathew & Mrs. Kochumol K. Thomas, ID C-79, IM area prayer.
- ★ A baby girl, Siyona Shaiju, is born to Mr. Shaijumon Thankachan & Mrs. Tiju Shaiju, ID S-203, SCS area prayer on 9th July.

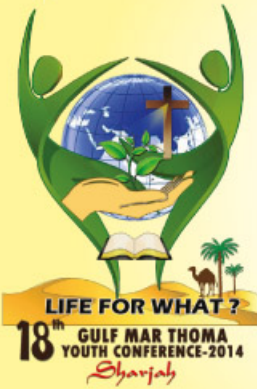
18th GULF MAR THOMA YOUTH CONFERENCE-2014

Date : 3 - 5th October, 2014

HOSTED BY:

SHARJAH MAR THOMA YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

Theme : ജീവിതം എന്തിന്
: الحياة لماذا
: Life for what.. ?
(Romans 12: 1-2)



Pray & Participate

SNEHA SANGAMAM 2014



യാത്രയയപ്പ്

നമ്മുടെ ഇടവകയുടെ കെയർ ടേയ്ക്കർ മി. സനൽ എബ്രഹാം ആറര വർഷത്തെ തന്റെ സേവനം പൂർത്തിയാക്കി യാത്രയാകുന്നു. തന്നെ ഏൽപ്പിച്ചതായ ചുമതലകൾ ഉത്തരവാദിത്തത്തോടും അനുസരണത്തോടും കർമ്മനിഷ്ഠതയോടും കൂടെ പൂർത്തിയാക്കുന്ന പ്രിയ സനലിന് ഓഗസ്റ്റ് മാസം 29-ാം തീയതി ഇടവകയായി ഉചിതമായ യാത്രയയപ്പ് നൽകുവാൻ തീരുമാനിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു.

FAREWELL TO

Mr. Jacob Thomas & Family (ID J-2),
CA area prayer.
Home Parish : MTC (Primrose Road), Bangalore

Mr. Jeby Jacob & Family (ID J-277),
IM area prayer.
Home Parish: St. Pauls MTC, Kizhakkenmuthoor, Tiruvalla

Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish expresses sincere thanks and gratitude for the erstwhile members for all their services to the Church and wishing them all the blessings from God Almighty where ever they are.



SHARJAH MAR THOMA YUVAJANA SAKHYAM ONAM FAMILY GET TOGETHER 2014

Date : August 29th (Friday) Time : 11:30 am Venue : Sharjah Mar Thoma Church (Parish Hall)
For coupons and further details, kindly contact the Convenors: Mr. Moni Jose Cherian 050-5768258,
Mr. Sibi Mathew 056-1488474, Mr. Abraham Chacko 055-3254142, or Yuvajana Sakhyam Officials

AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	Church ID	Tel. No.
DXG	01 08 2014	7:00pm	Church	Mr. Mathews John	M-162	055-5971262
AJC	04 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. C. V. Philip	P-15	050-4522465
RCH	04 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Thomas George	T-82	050-7267589
				Dr. Geevus C. C.	G-150	050-5027748
MC	05 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary	G-121	055-7956435
NS	05 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Cherian K. C.	C-78	050-6920447
				Mr. George Varghese	G-163	050-4762625
				Mr. John Mathew	J-274	050-4628223
				Mr. Sunil Mathew John	S-46	050-6779753
DXA	08 08 2014	7:30pm	Church	Mr. Geju John	G-70	050-5186215
BMW	11 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary	P-12	050-6794156
CA	11 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Mammen Thomas	M-216	050-6744708
				Mr. Chacko Varghese	C-90	050-4525075
ABC&ACC	12 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Mathew Abraham	M-207	050-3507173
IM	18 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Prateep Varghese	P-68	050-6759004
SCS	18 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Prasad John	P-97	050-4529508
SAN	19 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Reji K. Thomas	R-120	050-5476235
MM	19 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Lalan Varghese	L-6	050-5190883
AGM	22 08 2014	8:00pm	Church	Mr. Jayamon P. Unny	J-445	055-9906837
SUC	25 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Suji Abraham	S-212	050-3063171
				Mr. Sajumon T. G.	S-331	050-5073506
ALK	25 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Kurian P. Simon	K-47	050-3604858
RSQ	26 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Georgi Benjamin	G-82	050-8621591
KHS	26 08 2014	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Biju George	B-165	050-4550648
				Mr. James Joy	J-427	055-2954455
UAQ - 7.00 pm on all Fridays except 3 rd Friday-Contact Area Secretary Mr.K.B. Mathew B-212, 055-9419157						

September 2014 - Prayer Group Dates

1st-AJC,RCH, 2nd-MC,NS, 5th-DXG, 8th-BMW,CA, 9th-ABC,MM, 12th-DXA, 15th-IM,SCS,SUC, 16th-SAN,ACC, 22nd-ALK, 23rd-RSQ,KHS, 26th-AGM

COVER LAYOUT & SUITABLE NAME FOR THE SOUVENIR

We are seeking a suitable 'Designed Cover Layout' and a 'Name' for the Souvenir that will be publishing during the Youth Conference. Entries are invited from our all Parish Members. Please submit your entries to Mr. Johnson Chacko, Chief Editor before 31st August.

PARISH ORGANISATION EVENTS

PARISH MISSION Every Sunday at 8.30 pm at Church , except 1st Sunday

Contact Parish Mission Secretary Mr. Jayan Chacko(J-164) 050-6951861 for more details. The Parish Mission Night Prayer will be held as A Praise and Worship meeting on 21st August (Thursday) immediately after the Church Service. Participate prayerfully and be Blessed.

SEVIKA SANGAM Every Wednesday at 8.30 pm at Parish Hall

Sevika Sangam fasting prayer every 3rd Saturday at 10.00 am at Church
For more details contact Sevika Sangam Secretary Mrs. Beena Johnson(J-133) 056-7104292
Sevika Sangham One day Conference on 22nd August 2014 from 10.30 am onwards, at Sharjah Marthoma Church.
Main Talk: Rev.Das George (Vicar CSI Parish, Sharjah), Medical Talk: Dr.Dinesh Kartha(Aura Ayurvedic & Yoga Centre, Sharjah)
Contact Conveners: Mrs.Shyni Sam 050-3654961, Mrs.Susy Mathew 050-3812617

YUVAJANA SAKHYAM, YOUTH FELLOWSHIP & YOUNG COUPLES FELLOWSHIP

Normal Meeting: * Every Saturdays Regular Sakhyam meetings at 8:30 pm.
* Every Saturdays Youth Fellowship at 6:30 pm at Church.
* Every 3rd Monday Young Couples meeting at 8:30 pm
* Every 4th Saturday Combined meetings of YS-YF-YCF at 8:00 pm

August 15th Friday - Visit to Fujairah Mar Thoma Parish - UAE Centre Yuvajana Sakhyam Mission to Parish Program.
Also 18th Gulf Mar Thoma Youth Conference - road show.

August 22nd Friday - Visit to Al Ain Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam - part of the 18th Gulf Mar Thoma Youth Conference.

August 23rd Saturday at 8:30pm-Day of Prayer & Fasting-18th Gulf Mar Thoma Youth Conference

For more details on Sakhyam Activities please contact:

- * Yuvajana Sakhyam Secretary, Mr. Promoth George(P-83) 050-1631018
- * Youth Fellowship Co-ordinator, Mr. Merish Thomas (T-108) 050-8604404
- * Young Couples Fellowship Co-ordinator, Mr. Prethish Cherian (P-126) 050-2395434

SUNDAY SCHOOL

- ◆ Sunday reopens on September 5th after the Summer Vacation.
- ◆ There will be a Mission Field visit during the Summer Vacation on August 16th. The forms are available in the website. For more details please contact Mrs. Mercy Mathew, Diocesan Representative (+ 97150-5275432 / +91 80 86450 810)
- ◆ Memory Verse Competition is scheduled to be held on September 12th Friday. The portion for the competition is published on the website.

FOR DETAILS CONTACT : Head Master: Mr. Mathew M.Johnson (M-56) Tel. 055-9860375, sharjahmtss@gmail.com

Secretary: Mr. Jacob George (J-320) Tel. 050-7152611, jgeomaster@gmail.com

CHOIR "Praise the Lord with the harp; make music to him on the ten-stringed lyre. Sing to him a new song; play skilfully and shout for joy."

FOR DETAILS CONTACT: Secretary Mr. Jacob Samuel (Sajan) Church ID J-113, Tel. 050 7844128

FASTING PRAYER: Every Friday at 10:15 am at Navathy Hall (after Church Service)

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

SENIOR CITIZENS' FORUM (A Fellowship of our Senior Members)

"Now the Lord is the spirit and where the spirit if the Lord there is freedom" 2Cor. 3:17

A special meeting is to be conducted after the Church service on 15th August 2014, Friday to take part India's 68th Independence day celebration. You are cordially invited to mark the function colourful. (Programme is lead by Senior Citizens)

Senior Citizens' Forum Meeting on 3rd Saturday 16th August 2014 at 8.00 pm at Parish Hall

Contact for more details: Mr. John Mathew - Secretary (J-28) - 050-6265926

JOB CELL: If there are any job vacancy, please inform Job Cell Convenor -

Mr. Niren Abraham - 050 - 7690802 - email : smtysjobcell@gmail.com

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If you have any suggestions or comments please contact:

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CONTACT DETAILS OF BUS SERVICE FOR FRIDAY HOLY COMMUNION AT 7.30 AM

Ajman-Church: Mr. Binu Oommen Mathew (B-121) 050-8631207

Sonapur-National Paint - Binladen R/A - J&P - Geco - CS - Maza - Al Nadha - Al Khan - Church

Mr. Binu M Alex(B-158) 050-7930735, Mr. Dheeraj James(D-22) 050-3049959

Dubai Satwa Bus Station (6.10 am), Deira Hyatt, Fish R/A(6.30 am), Hor-Al Anz - Al Shaab(6.45 am)

Ghusais (7.00 am), Al Nahda NMC Road, Safeer Mall (7.15 am), Al Wahda Road,

Church-Mr. Thomas Samuel (T-144) 055-9704700

HOLY MATRIMONY WISHES

Ms. Achsa Susan Varghese (D/o Mrs & Mr. Varghese Philip ID V-96) with Mr. Shiju T. Mathew on 14th August 2014 at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Kozhencherry.

Ms. Aleena Merin Saju (D/o Mrs & Mr G. Saju Koshy ID G-86) with Mr. Noble V. Thomas on 18th August 2014 at St. Mary's Orthodox Church, Karuvatta.

Ms. Moldy Achamma Dethose (D/o Mrs & Mr Dethose Oonnoony ID D-11) with Mr. Vinsu Koothappally on 21st August 2014 at Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church, Niranam.

CONDOLENCES ON THE DEMISE OF

- ❖ Mr. Alexander Panickar 73 years, father in law of Mr. Rajeev Varghese ID R-175, ACC area passed away on 02 07 2014 and funeral services were held at Orthodox Vallyapally Kundara.
- ❖ Mr. K. K. Mathew 93 years, father of Mr. Cherian Mathew ID C-44, UAQ area passed away on 03 07 2014 and funeral services were held at Kavmgumprayar St. Thomas MTC on 07 07 2014.
- ❖ Mr. K. G. Eapen 87 years, father of Mr. Reni Eapen ID R-81, SUC area passed away on 05 07 2014 and funeral services were held at Salem MTC Karipuzha on 11 07 2014.
- ❖ Mr. Joseph Thomas 70 years, father of Mr. Anu Joseph ID A-305, UAQ area passed away on 10 07 2014 and funeral services were held at Salem MTC Valakuzhy on 13 07 2014.
- ❖ Mrs. Annamma Samuel 81 years, mother in law of Mr. Thomas Mathew ID T-81, SCS area passed away and funeral services were held at St. Thomas MTC, Poovanmala.
- ❖ Mr. C. M. Joseph 93 years, father of Mr. Joseph Mathai ID J-6 and Mr. Joseph Eapen ID J-167, UAQ area passed away on 23 07 2014 and funeral services were held at Carmel MTC, Ayroor.

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.

For more informations Please contact:

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