

The Mar Thoma Parish Sharjah



*"In thy presence, there is fullness of joy,
In thy right hand are pleasures for ever more."*
R.S.V Psalm 16: 11 (b)

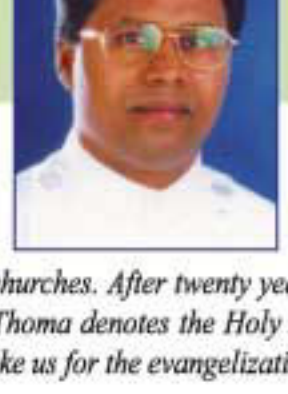
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Message From Panicker G Achen



My dearly beloved brethren, who share in a heavenly call - may mercy, peace and love be multiplied to you.

Now schools and other educational institutions in U.A.E. are closed for summer vacation. Vacation time must be considered as the time of refreshment. Our ancestors were agrarians. They were very healthy. They kept their physique in a very special way. After harvests, during rainy periods i.e. in the months of Edavam, Mithunam and Karthidakam (in the months May, June & July) they practised 'pathyams' (wholesome) to promote physical and moral health. Those habits helped them to refresh their entire lives. Likewise we have to refresh our plans, programs, routines, relationships and contacts in this vacation period. I advise you please to find few days to spend with your grand parents and parents and also find time to visit your neighbour hood, mission fields, orphanages and old age homes. No doubt it will refresh your entire lives.

As our parish schedule we are preparing to conduct our Sneha Sangamam in the Vanitha Mandiram hall at Kombady, Thiruvalla on 28th at 9.00am. Our Diocesan Episcopa graciously consented to inaugurate and lead the meeting. Our parish nominated Mr. Mathew John, our co-trustee as the convener of this meeting. Please contact him and make sure your participation.

Mar Thoma Sunday School Samajam Executive committee decided to arrange a summer camp for the Sunday school students of G.C.C. Countries. I hope that it will be an ever memorable time to our children. For registration contact our Headmistress or Samajam General Secretary.

According to our Church calendar July 2nd is titing Sunday: Time, Money, ability, intellect are the gifts from God. We must accept them with gratitude and use them for good of others, as God desires. This is the message of this Celebration.

July 3rd is the St. Thomas Day. St. Thomas is known as the Apostle of India. He reached

Malankara in AD 52 and established seven and half churches. After twenty years of his ministry, he was martyred. Our Church's name Mar Thoma denotes the Holy Apostle's name. This remembrance must be challenge and provoke us for the evangelization of our mother country-India.

On 9th we have to learn on the priestly character of the church and its people. In accordance with Peter's theology all the ecclesiastical members are the priests. He says "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, Gods own people that you may declare the wonderful deeds of him who called you out of darkness into His marvellous light." I Pet.2:9. May God Almighty help us to do the priestly ministry very sincerely.

The Church exhort us to meditate on 'Theological Education' on 16th Sunday, on 'Holy Baptism' on, 23rd Sunday, on 'Christian doctrines' on 30th Sunday respectively These meditations will help the entire Church to exist as the partakers of the one mystical body.

Beloved, all the blessings of our lives are gifts from God. Material, Spiritual and physical blessings have been entrusted to us for the glory of the Most High. There is one God, the Father from whom are all things, and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

Grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity.

With love and prayers,
Yours Loving,
Abraham Panicker G. Achen

Holy Communion

- Every Thursday at 7.30pm
- Every Friday at 7.30am
- On First Sunday at 8.00pm
- On Third Friday at 6.00pm

English Service on Fourth Friday at 7.30am

Fasting Prayer

Every Friday 10.30 am at Church

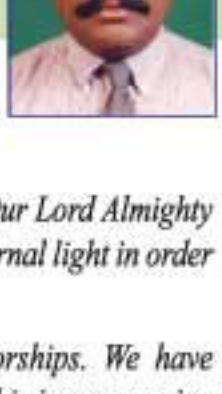
Bible Lessons for the Month of July 2006 during Holy Qurbana

Date	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle
July 02, 06 & 07	I Samuel 03: 10-21	Hebrews 07: 11-28	II Cor. 03: 01-11
July 13 & 14	Daniel 01: 06-21	II Cor. 06: 01-10	Ephes 04: 11-16
July 20 & 21	Genesis 07: 01-24	I Peter 03: 13-22	Romans 06: 01-10
July 27 & 28	II Kings 05: 01-19	Acts 10: 34-48	I Peter 02: 01-10
Aug. 03, 04 & 06	Exodus 24: 12-18	Hebrews 12: 18-29	II Peter 01: 16-21

Parish Choir

Choir Practice on every Wednesday 8.00pm to 10.30pm

From The Vice President



Dear beloved Parishioners!
Greetings from Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

I am very happy to address you through this Parish News Letter. Our Lord Almighty has showed His blessings upon us. We are called to reflect the eternal light in order that those who are in darkness will be enlightened.

Parish is a worshipping community to be renewed in every worship. We have worship on Thursdays, Fridays and 1st Sunday of every month. This is an occasion to renew our commitment and take up the challenge to further witness the love of Jesus Christ. I urge all parishioners to attend our Sunday services too.

With regards and prayers
Samuel P Mathew

Red Carpet to New Members

ID No	Name	Home Parish	Area	Phone
A 175	Mr. Alexander Mathew	St Thomas Parish, Pattor, TVM	DXB	06 - 5348853
A 176	Mr. Abraham Tharian	St. Thomas MTC, Kozencheri	NS	06 - 5638270
B 120	Mr. Blesson Joseph	St. Peter's MTC, Chennithala	BMN	06 - 5341250
A 177	Mr. Anish Jacob	Rajkot MTC, Rajkot	ABS	050 - 3986279
T 172	Mr. Thomas K Mammen	Mar Thoma Vallapally, Kumbanadu	DXB	04 - 2614874
B 121	Mr. Binu Oommen Mathew	M T Syrian Church, Karthikapally	AJM	050 - 8631207
J 262	Mr. Jacob Cherian	Madras MTC, Chennai	ABS	06 - 5533258
L 027	Mr. Liju Mathew John	Mar Thoma Church, Kuzhikkala	ABS	050 - 7376710
K 056	Mr. Kunjumon V.O.	Salem MTC, Kadambanad	ABS	050 - 2917594
J 263	Mr. John Kunjappan	Emmanuel MTC, Keerikkadu	MC	06 - 5566472
S 223	Mr. Stephen Thomas Koshy	Keekkozhoo MTC, Keekkozhoo	KHS	06 - 5651343
B 122	Mr. Binu Mathew	St. Thomas MTC, Kalliooppara	ABS	06 - 5596589
A 178	Mr. Aji Thomas	St. Thomas MTC, Eianthoor	SCS	050 - 7572523
A 179	Mr. Arun K Varghese	Mar Thoma Church, Kuzhikkala	CA	050 - 6559418
B 123	Mr. Biju Abraham	St. Thomas MTC, Niranam	SCS	050 - 3076353

*Warm Welcome...!!!
Please keep in touch with The Vicars and Prayer Group Officials*

Welcome to Vicar's Family



Stephen Achen, Susan Kochamma
Sherin & Jerin

Organization - Events

- SUNDAY SCHOOL**
Summer Vacation until 01-09-2006
 - SEVIKA SANGHOM**
Every Wednesday, 8.00pm at Parish Hall
Fasting Prayer on third Sunday, 9.30am at Church
 - PARISH MISSION** (Sunday at 8.30pm at Church)
 - 05/07/2006 House Visit
 - 09/07/2006 Special Prayer Meeting Hosted by Dr. Shibu Varghese (S 144)
 - 16/07/2006 Special Prayer Meeting Hosted by Mr. Biju Philip (B 080)
 - 23/07/2006 Regular meeting
 - 30/07/2006 Regular meeting
 - YUVAJANA SAKHYAM** (Saturday 8.30pm)
 - 01/07/2006 Bible Study
 - 08/07/2006 2006-07 Year Program Inauguration of UAE Centre Yuvajana Sakhyam at Ras Al Khaima Indian Association Hall at 1pm.
 - 15/07/2006 2006-07 Year Program Inauguration of Sharjah Yuvajana Sakhyam
 - 22/07/2006 Regular Meeting
 - 29/07/2009 Cottage Prayer
- Requests member's whole hearted participation for all the above events with prayers*

Area Prayer Meetings

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	ID No	Tel. No
AJM	03/07/06	Mon	8.30pm	Church	Mr. Lal P. Thomas	L 007 050 - 6976509
MC	04/07/06	Fri	8.30pm	Church	Mr. Anil Thomas Jacob	A 141 06 - 7915058
DXB	07/07/06	Tue	6.30pm	Residence	Mr. Pramod Kurian	P 055 050 - 5250528
RCH	10/07/06	Mon	8.30pm	Residence	Mr. Thomas Mathew	T 005 050 - 6446803
CA	10/07/06	Mon	8.30pm	Church	Mr. Roy Philip	R 092 050 - 8512277
IM	11/07/06	Tue	8.30pm	Church	Mr. Varghese Samuel	V 019 050 - 7961546
ABS	11/07/06	Tue	8.00pm	Residence	Mr. Koshy P Varghese	K 036 06 - 5530048
MM	11/07/06	Tue	8.30pm	Church	Mr. Itty Thomas	I 011 06 - 5623702
SCS	17/07/06	Mon	8.30pm	Church		
BMN	18/07/06	Tue	8.30pm	Church	Mr. Dethose Oonunny	D 011 050 - 3643560
NS	25/07/06	Tue	8.30pm	Residence	Mr. Stephen Thomas Koshy	S 233 06 - 5651343
KHS	25/07/06	Tue	8.30pm	Residence	Mr. Stephen Thomas Koshy	S 233 06 - 5651343
RSQ	25/07/06	Tue	8.30pm	Church	Mr. M J Joseph	J 030 050 - 6468243
UAQ	Every Fridays	7.00pm	UAQ Prayer Hall (Except Third Friday)			

Area Secretary's Contacts

ABU SHAGARAH (ABS)	Jayan T John	J 189	050-7360263
AJMAN (AJM)	Philip Thomas	P 059	050-7756125
BMW - AL NAHDA (BMN)	Benjamin Mathew	B 020	050-6321531
CHURCH AREA (CA)	Joykutty Samuel	J 017	050-5376061
DUBAI (DXB)	Reji P George	R 034	050-5187028
IMMIGRATION AREA (IM)	Jose V Idiculla	J 224	050-5317993
KUWAIT HOSPITAL (KHS)	Jose Daniel	J 059	050-7971978
MOTHER CAT (MC)	John Mathew	J 149	050-6530426
MUSSALLA MAISALOON (MM)	Thomas Daniel	T 048	050-6354142
NABBAAL SHARQ (NS)	Mathew John	M 025	050-5478985
ROLLA CORNICHE (RCH)	Shibu Zachariah	S 175	050-7399118
ROLLA SQUARE (RSQ)	John Varghese	J 020	050-6314059
SHARJAH CRICKET STADIUM (SCS)	Thomas Varghese	T 041	050-5768258
UMM AL QUWAIN (UAQ)	Mathew John	M 117	050-5173053

CHANGES IN CONTACT ?!
Incase of any change in your Address, Area of residence Contact nos., email etc.
Inform immediately to YOUR PARISH SECRETARY

Area Acolytes in Church Worship

DATE	DAY	ACOLYTES FROM	DATE	DAY	ACOLYTES FROM
02-07-2006	Sunday	Rolla Corniche (RCH)	20-07-2006	Thursday	Ajman (AJM)
06-07-2006	Thursday	Rolla Square (RSQ)	21-07-2006	Friday	BMW - Al Nahda (BMN)
07-07-2006	Friday	Shj Cri. Stadium (SCS)	27-07-2006	Thursday	Church Area (CA)
13-07-2006	Thursday	Umm Al Quwain (UAQ)	28-07-2006	Friday	English Service
14-07-2006	Friday	Abu Shagarah (ABS)	03-08-2006	Thursday	Immigration Area (IA)

Heartfelt Condolences

Mr. Samuel Mathew (55 years), Father in Law of Mr. Santhosh Skariah (S 055) of NS.
Mrs. Ammini Kurien (73 years), Mother in Law of Mr. Shibu John (S 170) of AJM.
Mr. George Ipe (92 years), Father of Mr. Cherian George (C 043) of RSQ.
Mr. Mathew Varghese (45 years). Brother in Law of Mr. Alexander K.V. (A 013) of BMN.
Mrs. Kunjoonamma Thomas (60 years), Mother of Mr. Cherian Thomas (C 040) of KHS.
Mr. C I Kochu (67 years), Father in Law of Mr. Wilson P.V. (W 005) of ABS.
Mr. Varghese (67 years), Brother's Son of Mr. George Thomas (G 039) of MC.
Mrs. Thankamma Unni (78 years), Mother in Law Mr. Kunjumon V.O. (K 056) of ABS.
Mr. A L Cherian (Baby, 86 years), Father in Law of Mr. Abraham C George (C 036) of RSQ.
Mrs. Chinnamma Jacob (88 years), Mother of Mr. Abraham Jacob (A 008) of RSQ.
Mr. K C Mathai (75 years) Father of Mr. K M Varghese (Benny, V 099) of ABS

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

സ്മരണാ സംഗമം - 2006

മുൻ ഇടവകാംഗങ്ങളുടെയും വികാരിമാരുടെയും അധിനിവേശം നാട്ടിലുള്ള ഇടവകാംഗങ്ങളുടെയും സ്മരണ സംഗമം ജൂലൈ 28-ാം തീയതി വെള്ളിയാഴ്ച രാവിലെ 9 മണി മുതൽ വൈകിട്ട് 3 മണി വരെ സ്ഥലം: തിരുവല്ല വനിതാ മന്ദിരം ഓഡിറ്റോറിയം മുഖ്യപ്രഭാഷണം : ഗീവർഗീസ് മാർ അത്തനേഷ്യസ് എപ്പിസ്കോപ്പാ തിരുമേനി

വെള്ളിക്കുഴപ്പം: ആഗ്രഹിക്കുന്നവർ ബന്ധപ്പെടുക: റവ. കെ. എ. തോമസ്, പ്രസിഡൻ്റ്, മൊബൈൽ: 0091-9446189590 ഫോൺ: 0091-473-5262355 മാത്യു ജോൺ, കൺവീനർ, മൊബൈൽ: 0091-9446023150 ഫോൺ: 0091-474-2620566

YUVAJANA SAKHYAM - YEAR PROGRAMME INAUGURATION
Sakha Yuvajana Sakhyam Programme Inauguration for the year 2006 - 2007 will be held on 15-07-2006, 8.30pm at Sharjah Mar Thoma Church