The Mar Thoma Parish Sharjah

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MESSAGE FROM JACOB C. MATHEW ACHEN

Dear,beloved members in Christ,

Greetings in the very name of our Lord Jesus Christ.It is indeed a pleasure to address you through this bulletin. We are now in a new Financial year 2010-2011. The newly elected Trustees have taken their responsibilities from April 1st 2010. Let us express our sincere thanks to all the out going office bearers . They have done an excellent job with lots of hard work. Also I extent my thanks to all the committee members who were so co operative in their assigned responsibilities. Our Achen Rev P J Chacko & family is transfered to Thonniamala Parish from May 1st. Achen has done a very fruitfull service to this parish.The cooperation of kochamma & Ashis ,Krupa is worth mentioning. Our New Achen Rev.K S Mathews as informed will reach on 4th May 2010.Let us welcome our new achen & family.

Its a great privilege & honour for me to serve with you all in the Sharjah Mar thoma church.For the last one year I am here with you all and received your co operation & love. Thank you. Now Mar Thoma Metropolitan has entrusted me with an added responsibility as Vicar of sharjah Mar Thoma church from May 1st 2010. I humbly seek all your sincere prayers and support to do my responsibilities. Please pray for me & my family in your prayers.

We often strive to do the will of God and struggle to succeed. But we may fail to recognize Gods strength is what we need. Nothing is stronger than "Strength under Gods control."Our Lord said "Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth" Mat:5:5. St Francis de sales once said " Nothing is so edifying as charitable meekness. Like oil in a lamp it keeps the flame of good example burning." Let us make our good example burning with our meekness.

With all Good wishes & prayers,

Rev. Jacob C. Mathew
The Mar Thoma Parish Sharjah.

FROM THE PARISH SECRETARY

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Greetings in the precious name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As we have come to the end of the financial year 2009-2010, we have completed 32 years as a worshipping community in Sharjah emirate. Throughout the year, the Lord has blessed us abundantly and guided our works and ventures. As Church being the body of Christ, is assigned to execute the will of God. Generosity and social work are important parts of Christian life and by His grace our church has undertaken many works. I thank Almighty for helping us to carry out these responsibilities in the best possible manner. At the end of our tenure, I express our gratitude to the Parish for all the kind support and co-operation extended to us throughout the year to fulfill the assigned task.

Our Vicar Rev. P. J. Chacko and family are moving on for their ministerial service in St: Thomas Marthoma Church, Thonniyamala. We thank the Lord for our beloved Achen's ministry in our church. Our Asst. Vicar Rev. Jacob C. Mathew will become our Vicar from 1st May. Let us congratulate our beloved Achen. Rev. K.S. Mathew will join us in the first week of May 2010 as Asst Vicar. May the Lord strengthen all our Achens for their service in God's ministry.

I thank God for the opportunity to be the secretary of Sharjah MarThoma Parish. I extend my sincere thanks to our dear Vicars, the Kaisthana Samithy members, Office bearers of Organizations & Area prayer group and the Parishioners for the whole-hearted co-operation during this tenure. Kaisthana Samithy of 2010-2011 is braced to start for next year. May the Office bearers and the Kaisthana Samithy for the year 2010-2011 also be blessed in their future ventures.

With Prayers and Regards,

Jose Daniel
Parish Secretary

MESSAGE FROM TRUSTEES.

'Well done , good and faithful servant ! You have been faithful with few things; I will put you in charge of many things'

We thank the Lord for having considered us worthy and entrusting us with the work of his abode where all his faithful followers gather to offer their praise and thanks to the Lord. We are privileged to have been entrusted with this position and pray that the Lord Almighty will provide us with the strength, guidance and love to work in the best interest of His followers.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to the parish priest, church members and all the parish organisations who in the name of the Lord have entrusted this work and position to us and would like to assure them that we will do everything within the power entrusted to us to support them in their activities and work for the Lord. Today we would also like to recall with love and affection Rev P J Chacko and family's blessed stint with us during the last three year wherein he has strived to spread the word and work of the Lord. With prayer in our hearts we bid him farewell for his new assignment at Thonnoyamal Marthoma Church.

We prayerfully thank Vicar Rev Jacob C. Mathew and family who are now to carry on the good work and also welcome Rev. K S Mathew and family to our parish as they come forth in the name of the Lord. Last but not the least we would like to extend our gratitude and thanks to the ex-trustees for having carried out their work faithfully in the last year and acknowledge their guidance and word of knowledge they have to share with us.

We pray for the guidance and blessing of the Lord each day to help us grow into a more caring and sharing community.

With lot of love and regards.
George Jacob (Saji)
Trustee - Finance

Benoj Kochummen Abraham
Trustee – Accounts.

Welcome to New Members ...

Sl.	Name	ID	Home Parish	Area	Contact No.
1	Mr. Anoop Thomas Varghese	A-250	Ebenezer MTC, Peroorkada	AJM	055-3711777
2	Mr. Benny Varghese	B-120	Emmanuel MTC, Haripad	SCS	050-1783986
3	Mr. Beugeo John Abraham	B-207	Trinity MTC, Thiruvanathapuram	CA	050-9766189
4	Mr. Biji Varghese	B-208	Immanuel MTC, Padanad	BMN	050-8636009
5	Mr. Bejorn V George	B-209	Salem MTC, Ezhamkulam	RCH	055-7993383
6	Mr. Jose N Pappachan	J-381	St: Thomas MTC, Kollam	CA	050-4999067
7	Mr. K. John Varghese	K-74	Ebenezer MTC, Peroorkada	DXB	050-6758249
8	Mr. Prakash Chacko Varghese	P-107	Immanuel MTC, Paruthipara	SCS	050-3093212
9	Mr. Renji Chacko	R-179	Kuzhikala MTC, Kuzhikala	DXB	050-4691138
10	Mr. Saju Abraham	S-390	Salem MTC, Elanthoor	ABS	050-6756527
11	Mr. Shibu Mathew	S-391	Salem MTC, Chachipunna	AJM	055-6239283
12	Mr. Shaji Alexander	S-392	St: Thomas MTC, Kaithakuzhy	BMN	056-6908795
13	Mr. Varghese Thomas	V-134	Marthoma Valiyapally, Thevalakara	AJM	055-4997112

Lectionary & Area Acolytes

Date	Day-Time	Acolytes From	Remarks	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle
02.05.10	Sun-8:00pm	ABS	Holy Communion	Isaiah 40: 1-11	Acts 4:32-37	Philippians 4:10-20
06.05.10	Thu-7:30pm	AJM	Holy Communion	Genesis 2:4-17	Revelation 22:1-7	1 Peter 1:13-22
07.05.10	Fri-7:30am	BMN	Holy Communion			
13.05.10	Thu-7:30pm	CA	Holy Communion	Ezekiel 34:1-16	Hebrews 13:7-21	1 Peter 5:1-14
14.05.10	Fri-7:30am	DXB	Holy Communion			
20.05.10	Thu-7:30pm	IM	Holy Communion	Joel 2:18-32	Acts 2:37-47	Colossians 3:12-17
21.05.10	Fri-7:30am	KHS	Holy Communion			
21.05.10	Fri- 7:00pm	MC	Holy Communion			
27.05.10	Thu-7:30pm	MM	Holy Communion	Genesis 18:1-15	2 Corinthians 13:11-14	1 John 5:1-12
28.05.10	Fri-8:00am	Sunday School	Holy Communion-English			
03.06.10	Thu-7:30pm	NS	Holy Communion	Proverbs 2:1-12	James 3:13-18	Colossians 2:1-7
04.06.10	Fri-7:30am	RCH	Holy Communion			
06.06.10	Sun-8:00pm	RSQ	Holy Communion			

Other Events

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Youth Fellowship meets every Saturday at 6.30pm at Church.
Combined Meeting with Yuvajana Sakhyam on Saturday, 22nd May at 7.30 pm as Special Prayer

U A E MARTHOMA YOUTH CHAPLAINCY FORUM
KIDS & TEENS FELLOWSHIP

Rolla Corniche (RCH) Area:
Date: 11.05.2010
Venue: Residence of Mr. Varghese John (ID#V-101)
Time: 7:00pm-9:00pm
Telephone: 06-5681829,050-5779093

Immigration (IM) Area:
Date:24.05.2010
Venue: Residence of Mr. Eapen Philip (ID#E-7)
Time:7:00pm-9:00pm
Telephone:050-4549157

Abu Shagara (ABS) Area:
Date: 17.05.2010
Venue: Contact Area Secretary
Time:7: 00pm-9:00pm
Telephone: 050-4816637

Area Prayer Meetings

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	ID No.	Tel. No
AJM	03.05.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Mathew Koodal Baby	M 200	050-2214828
MC	04.05.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Saji Ninan	S-15	050-6536183
DXB	07.05.10 Fri	6:30pm	Church	Mr. Samkutty V.C	S-44	050-4270325
CA	10.05.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Johnson P. George	J-107	050-2103957
				Mr. John George	J-303	050-9021837
RCH	10.05.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Samuel Geevarghese	S-185	050-5492591
MM	11.05.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary		050-4984025
ABS	14.05.10 Fri	5:30pm		Dr. Shibu Varughese	S-144	050-4816637
				Mr. Biju T.K.	B-55	050-7951572
				Mr. Viju Daniel Varghese	V-28	050-6592621
				Mr. Varghese Mathew	V-46	050-5862496
IM	17.05.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Sathish Zak Peter	S-90	050-5473970
SCS	17.05.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Biji Varghese	B-125	050-3790181
BMN	18.05.10 Tue	8:30pm	Residence	Mr. John mathew	J-28	050-6265926
NS	18.05.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Bency V Thomas	B-8	050- 6348995
				Mr. Siju George Thomas	S-162	050-8451234
KHS	25.05.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Koshy P. G	K-6	050-7968919

RSQ	25.05.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Saji Thomas Kaithamukkil	S-52	050-7976396
UAQ	7.00pm on all Fridays except 3rd Friday,Contact Area Secretary					050-6581179

NEW BORNS

A baby boy Shablin born to Tiju & Shaiju (ID#S-203) of SCS on 18-04-2010

JOB CELL

If there is any job vacancy,
please inform to Jobcell Convener Mr. Thomas Mathen- 050-4576722 or
send it to jc_streams@yahoo.com (Sakhyam Secretary, Mr. Johnson Chacko 050 6738630.)

FAREWELL TO

Mr. George Mathai & Mrs. Omana Mathai (ID# G-16)
Home Parish: Immanuel Marthoma Church, Pandanad

CHANGE IN DETAILS

Parish Members who are changing the Residence, Area Prayer, P O Box or Telephone numbers may submit the forms available at church counter to update in system

Congratulations to........

Our Vicar Rev. Jacob C Mathew

Let us uphold our beloved Achen and Family in our prayers and extend our whole hearted support for his Ministry

WARM WELCOME TO OUR ASSISTANT VICAR

Rev. K S Mathews
Kurumthodathil House, Puthuppadi. P O, Kozhikode
Home Parish: Puthuppadi Ebenezer
Became Deacon on 22-09-1999, Kassessa :13-10-1999

Achen has served in following Parishes:
"Kollam Inchavila, Kallada Nilamel, Peringalam Bethel, Karavaloor Kereeth, Areeplachy Ebenezer, Payyanamon St Andrews, Konnappara Salem, Njaloor Santhom, Vayalathala St Thomas, Anthiyalankavu Salem"

Kochamma: Mrs. Subha Mathews
Children: Christin K Mathews (Std 10th), Justin K Mathews (Std 10th), Chesvin K Mathews (Std 6th)

We, the Parsh whole heartedly welcome beloved Achen and Family to The Marthoma Parish Sharjah

Condolences

Mr. P.S George, 86 years
Father of Mr. John George (ID#J-351) AJM

Mr. Thomas Varghese, 64 years
Father of Mr. Varghese P. Thomas (ID#V-74) RCH

Mr. P.K.Kuruvila, 93years
Father of Mr. Saji P. Kuruvila (ID#S-145) SCS

Mr Thomas Mathew (Mohan), 54 years

Former member and Trustee

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

Organization Events

Sunday School

Kaistana Samithy 2009-2010

Fridays at 10:15am at Church

Arts Competition will be conducted on Friday, 28th May 2010 from 10.30 AM to 1.00 PM.

Parish Mission

Sundays at 8.30 pm at church except 1st Sunday

Sevika Sangam

Wednesdays 08.30pm at Parish Hall

Fasting Prayer on 3rd Sunday at 09.30am at Church

Wednesday, 19th May at 8:30pm as special prayer

Host by Mr. K T Thomas (T-13) KHS Area

Yuvajana Sakhyam

Saturdays at 8.30 pm at church

Combined Meeting with Youth Fellowship on Saturday, 22nd May at 7.30 pm as Special Prayer

Choir

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

Choir Practice-Every Wednesday 08.30pm to 10.30pm

FASTING PRAYER

"Participate, Pray and get healing touch from our Almighty God"

Every Friday 12:00 noon at Church

CONTACT DETAILS OF BUS SERVICE FOR FRIDAY HOLY COMMUNION AT 7:30AM

Ajman - Church

Mr. Saji K. Abraham (ID#S-242) Tel: 050-6793617

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

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

Contact Telephone no of Rev. P J Chacko at Thonniyamala: 0091468225134 (Parsonage)

For more information, please contact:

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Rev. K S Mathew (Asst. Vicar), Mob 050-9854710, Email:mathewskrev@yahoo.com

Rev. Zachariah Alexander (Chaplain),Tel: 06-5300558, Fax: 06-5300557 Mob: 050-5543119
Email:zachariahalexander@yahoo.co.in,

Jose Daniel (Parish Secretary) Mob: 050-7971978 email: josedan@eim.ae