

HAPPY EASTER

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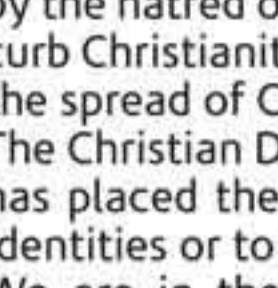


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MESSAGE FROM THIRUMENI



Extremely happy to be here in UAE once again for the Passion week. For the last nine years I come here as part of my Episcopal visits either in Advent or in Lenten season.

During my stay here, I try to meet the members of different organizations viz. Sunday school, Edavaka Mission, Sevika Sanghom, Youth League and Choir. I spend sometime with the members of the Executive committee. I participate in the area prayer meetings and visit Umm Al Quwain, Fujeirah and Ras Al Khaimah. Wherever the rulers provided land we could construct beautiful church buildings and parsonages. The members of Ras Al Khaimah Parish had been struggling hard to finish the church building and parsonage. Sharjah parish and all other parishes in UAE cooperated and helped them financially to turn their long cherished dreams in to a reality. We must be grateful to God for all what He means to us.

In Acts 8: 1-8 we read of the persecutions of Christians in Jerusalem and the resultant scattering of the believers to the region of Judea and Samaria. But those who were scattered, not by choice, but by the hatred of Jews became great witnesses to Christ and his Gospel in all those regions. It was to curb Christianity that they were persecuted. But that everything intended as a deterrent, resulted in the spread of Christianity far and wide. This may be described as a mission by default.

The Christian Diaspora, scattered in different parts of the world have to ask themselves where God has placed them, there, for enjoying a better life and to preserve their ethnic and ecclesiastical identities or to be professing missionaries and ambassadors of Christ.

We are in the season of Lent. Let us remember His Passion and Cross. Let us celebrate His resurrection and let us look forward to his second coming. Let us cling on to the risen Lord, strive to be a community of resurrection in this world of corruption, death and decay. Let no one rob us of our Easter hope.

Christ is risen, yes He is risen indeed.

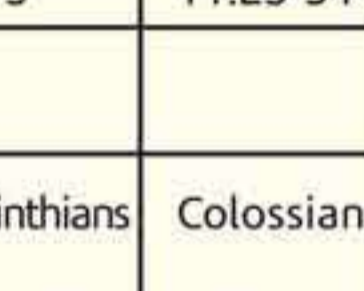
Easter Greetings to all of you!

Lent 2010

Yours in Christ,

Rt. Rev. Geevarghese Mar Athanasius Episcopa

MESSAGE FROM CHACKO ACHEN



My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am leaving Sharjah for good after three years of my pastoral service as Assistant Vicar and Vicar. I thank God for the grace and blessings He showered on me. During these three years of my presence in Sharjah I have witnessed developments in all sectors of Sharjah and the Mar Thoma community. I feel that Sharjah Mar Thoma Parish had become my second home. So when I leave I will miss very much the people among whom I had been placed to serve in the Lord. But that is part of the life of every Priest. Now I am looking forward to join St. Thomas M. T. C Thonniyamala.

Needless to mention I will carry with me in my heart and in my mind the cherished memories of the people and events that I have served and witnessed during my ministry here.

I will remain united in prayers with you who also endeared me so much and who have been an incentive to dedicate myself to work in this portion of Lord's vineyard. May, God be honored and glorified for ever.

Yours in His Service,

Chacko Achen.

Lectionary & Area Acolytes

Date	Day-Time	Acolytes From	Remarks	1st Lesson	2nd Lesson	Epistle
01.04.10	Thu-7:30pm	Kaithana Samithy	Holy Communion-Pessaha	Isaiah 12:1-18	Hebrews 9:1-15	1 Corinthians 11:23-34
02.04.10	Fri-8:00am	Organizations	Good Friday Service			
03.04.10	Sat- 7.30pm	Kaithana Samithy	Easter Service	2 Kings 4:27-37	1 Corinthians 15:1-20	Colossians 3:1-11
04.04.10	Sun-5.00am	Kaithana Samithy	Easter Service			
08.04.10	Thu-7:30pm	KHS	Holy Communion	Zephaniah 3: 14-20	1 Corinthians 15:1-19	1 Corinthians 15:20-28
09.04.10	Fri-7:30am	MM	Holy Communion			
15.04.10	Thu-7:30pm	MC	Holy Communion			
16.04.10	Fri-7:30am	NS	Holy Communion	Exodus 13:17-22	Acts 4:32-37	Jude 17-25
16.04.10	Fri- 7:00pm	RCH	Holy Communion			
22.04.10	Thu-7:30pm	RSQ	Holy Communion	1Kings 19:1-18	Acts 8:9-25	2 Timothy 4:9-18
23.04.10	Fri-8:00am	Sunday School	Holy Communion-English			
29.04.10	Thu-7:30pm	SCS	Holy Communion			
30.04.10	Fri-7:30am	UAQ	Holy Communion	Isaiah 40: 1-11	Acts 4:32-37	Philippians 4:10-20
02.05.10	Sun-8:00pm	ABS	Holy Communion			
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			

Other Events

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

Youth Fellowship meets every Saturday at 6.30pm at Church.
 Combined Meeting with Yuvajana Sakhyam on Saturday, 27th March at 7.30 pm as Special Prayer

NEW BORN

A baby girl Angelin born to Sobha & Rajan (ID#R-115) of BMN on 18/02/2010
 A baby girl Joan born to Jeny & Mathen Mathew (ID#M-204) of IM on 01/03/2010
 A baby girl Hannah born to Teena & Jiju (ID#J-359) of IM on 07/03/2010

Welcome to New Members ...

Sl.	Name	ID	Home Parish	Area	Contact No.
1	Mr. Bibin Sam Varghese	B-206	St: Thomas MTC, Mulakuzha	MC	050-8950115
2	Mr. Jinu John Thomas	J-380	Immanuel MTC, Mundathanam	KHS	050-3983051
3	Mr. Oommen K Mammen	O-13	St: Thomas MTC, Niranam Central	KHS	050-2747559
4	Mr. Roney Issac Mathew	R-176	St: Thomas MTC, Fort Kochi	RCH	050-5403659
5	Mr. Renji Mathew	R-177	St: Thomas MTC, Kuriannoor	MC	050-2144507
6	Mr. Roy Mathew	R-178	Zion MTC, Pathanamthitta	SCS	050-9848758
7	Mr. Shibu M Jacob	S-386	St: Thomas MTC, Kripapuram	DXB	050-5316780
8	Mr. Sanoj K Samuel	S-387	Mar Thoma Valiyapally, Elanthoor	AJM	055-8274012
9	Mr. Shiju George	S-388	Trinity MTC, Mekozhoor	BMN	050-5473701
10	Mr. Sujith Cherian	S-389	Emmanuel MTC, Peroorkada	SCS	050-4203528

Area Prayer Meetings

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	ID No.	Tel. No
AJM	05.04.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Binu Oommen Mathew	B-121	050-8631207
				Mr. John Kennady	J-237	050-8616720
				Mr. Varghese P. C	V-26	050-6288730
MC	06.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Roy Thomas	R-100	050-5270697
DXB	09.04.10 Fri	6:30pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary		050-2703904
CA	12.04.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Tiju Abraham	T-200	050-6560408
RCH	12.04.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Shaji E Oommen	S-59	050-5377293
				Mr. Kuruville Easow	K-73	050-5645970
MM	13.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Jose Mathai	J-80	050-7797170
ABS	13.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Shibu Mathew	S-204	050-8636601
				Mr. Sam Mathew	S-291	050-4993467
				Mr. Shibu Geevarghese Isac	S-317	050-3506656
				Mr. Shibu Josy Thomas	S-316	050-2586507
IM	19.04.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. N M Varkey	V-118	050-3689107
SCS	19.04.10 Mon	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Sunil Mathew C	S-301	050-4857189
BMN	20.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Alex P Thomas	A-45	050-7363857
NS	20.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Residence	Mr. George K.C	G-21	050-6964120
KHS	27.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Mr. Reji C. Joseph	R-19	050-3619730
RSQ	27.04.10 Tue	8:30pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary		050-3043253
UAQ	7.00pm on all Fridays except 3rd Friday,			Contact Area Secretary		050-6581179

FAREWELL TO

Our Beloved P J Chacko Achen, Santhamma Kochamma, Ashish and Kripa

Contact details of Achen
 Rev. P.J. Chacko
 St: Thomas Marthoma Church, Thonniyamala
 Kozhencherry, Pathanamthitta-689668
 Tel: 0468-2238793

Farewell meeting will be held on Friday, 30th April after Holy Communion

FAREWELL TO

Mr. Varghese C V and Mrs Lali Varghese
 Mr. Koshy Varghese and Mrs Ponnamma Varghese

Condolences

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| Mr. P. I. Thomas, 72years
Father in Law of Mr. Roni Jacob Varghese (ID#R-155) DXB | Mrs. Sosamma Varghese, 98years
Grand Mother of Mr. Varghese K Thomas (ID#V-80) AJM |
| Mr. M. A. John, 76years
Mother of Mr. Biju E John (ID#B-179) IM | Mr. K.C. Baby, 83years
Grandfather of Mr. Abraham K. Joy (ID#A-248) AJM |
| Mrs. Mariamma Samuel, 86years
Mother in Law of Mr. Shaji Mathai (ID#S-67) BMN | Mrs. Sosamma Varghese, 83years
Mother of Mr. Alexander K. V. (ID#A-13) BMN |
| Mrs. Kunjachamma John, 79years
Mother of Mr. Thambachan John (ID#T-173) SCS | Mrs. Aleyamma George, 83years
Mother of Mr. Molevar Philipose (ID#S-244) DXB |

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**
Fridays at 10:15am at Church
Students Dedication and Vidayarambha Sthothram on 8th Thursday & 9th Friday during Holy Qurbana
Memory Verse Competitor for Class 11 on Friday 30th April during Sunday School
- 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
- Yuvajana Sakhyam**
Saturdays at 8.30 pm at church
Combined Meeting with Youth Fellowship on Saturday, 24th April 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 skilfully 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

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

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.)

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. Moni Jose Cherian(M-59) Tel: 050-7868629

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