



The Mar Thoma Parish Sharjah

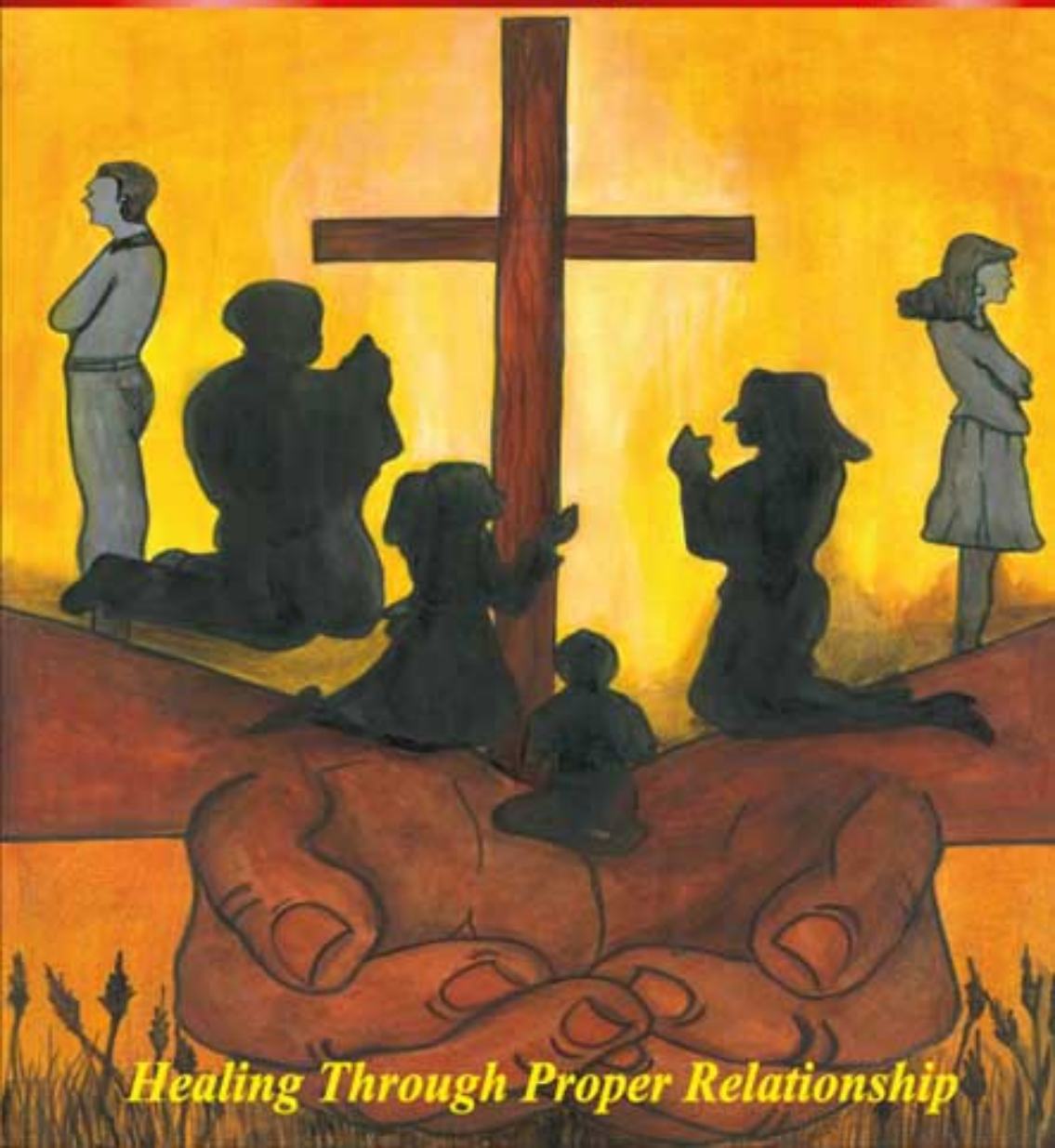
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Parish as a Healing Community



Healing Through Proper Relationship

Forty Years under the Wings of the Almighty

The Mar Thoma Parish, Sharjah completed one more year in its ministry of witness and mission. Last one year we focused on the theme **'PARISH AS A HEALING COMMUNITY'**. This was a pioneer effort on the part of parish for an innovative effort to explore a theme for a whole year for meditation and prayer. This main theme was subdivided into 12 subthemes and each month, one of the themes was made as its focus for prayer and fellowship. The parishioners from all age groups participated in the mission to elucidate the theme by contributing their articles. The compiled form of those articles was published in the form of a book, which is a feather in the cap of the church.



This month we meditate on the subtheme: '-Healing Through Proper Relationships.' This includes the eternal relationship with God the Father and the external relationship with our fellowmen. Proper inter personal relationships require humility and broadmindedness to accept the differences and respect one another. Now a days people are interested in making relationships with persons who can contribute resources for material benefits. Such relationship can be turned as personal motives relationship. Another type of relationship is just for enjoyments, where all the chances are made to seek personal pleasure irrespective of situations and types of persons they mingle with. This is called pleasure seeking relationship. Yet another type of relationship is not for personal gratification. But their interest for relationship is based on their willingness and selflessness in being with other persons. This is named as encouraging relationship. The first type of relationship is the product of selfishness whereas the third one is the product of commitment and deep relationship with God. Beloved parishioners of the Sharjah Marthoma family, we need healthy, mutually nurturing relationships. I take this opportunity to thank all the members who support and nurture the parish's life.

During the great lent we got the opportunity to praise God almighty every day through special worship. During the Passion Week our diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Thomas Mar Theethos Episcopa Tirumeni's presence and enthusiastic leadership was a blessing. Last 3 years Rev. Roby Jacob Mathew had served as the youth chaplain. We gratefully cherish his committed and sincere leadership offered for our future generation of the parish. It is essential to remember the valuable service rendered by the office bearers for the smooth functioning of the church.

The current year is a milestone in the growth of the Sharjah Marthoma parish. It is celebrating the 40th year. Hence our dear ones it is time to meditate **LIVING WATER IN ARID LAND**. During their Canaan journey, our elder brothers and sisters reached this wilderness with great hope and passion. But their life situations were entirely different from that of the present day parishioners. Even in the teeth of adverse living situations and setbacks, they searched for a community who can grow and worship together and glorify God. Thus they formed a fellowship and flowered in this desert. Small clusters of this form united and later enlarged to become a parish as it is of now. The pain and sweat of our elders has made our church what it is today. Let us thank the Lord for His amazing grace for keeping us for the last forty years under the shadow of the Almighty. This is also a time for evaluation, correction and rededication for our mission and witnessing Christ.

With prayerful regards

Rev. John Philip P.

HOLY QURBANA LECTIONARY & AREA ACOLYTES

Date	Day-Time	Acolytes	Holy Qurbana	First Lesson	Second Lesson	Epistle / Gospel
		From	Theme			
04.05.17	Thu. 7:30pm	AJC	അനുദിനം ഉത്ഥിതനായ ക്രിസ്തുവിനോടു കൂടെ	Exo. 40:34-38	2 Tim 2:1-13	Phil.3:8-16 St. Luke 24:13-33
05.05.17	Fri. 7:30am	ALK				
07.05.17	Sun. 8:00pm	PARISH MISSION				
11.05.17	Thu. 7:30pm	AGM	വഴിയും സത്യവും ജീവനുമായ ക്രിസ്തു	Exo.14:10-20	Acts.16:19-34	1 John 1:1-10 St. John.14:1-7
12.05.17	Fri. 7:30am	BMW				
18.05.17	Thu. 7:30pm	CA	സുവിശേഷം ക്രിസ്തുവിനെ പരിചയപ്പെടുത്തുക.	Mic.4:1-7	1 John 5.1-12	Phil.4:4-9 St. Luke 24:36-49
19.05.17	Fri. 7:30am	DXA				
19.05.17	Fri. 7:00pm	SENIOR CITIZEN				
25.05.17	Thu. 7:30pm	IM	പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവ് എന്ത വാഗ്ദത്തം	Joel 2:28-32	Gal.5:22-26	Acts. 1:1-8 St. John 14:15-21
26.05.17	Fri. 8:00am	SUNDAY SCHOOL				
01.06.17	Thu. 7:30pm	KHS	സകലത്തെയും പുതുക്കുന്ന പരിശുദ്ധാത്മാവ്	Eze. 36:24-36	Acts.2:1-13	Acts.11:19-26 St. John 20:19-23
02.06.17	Fri. 7:30am	DXG				
04.07.17	Sun. 8:00pm	PARISH MISSION				

NEW BORN:

- ★ A baby boy Kaylin Koshy Mathew, born to Mrs.Blessy Ann Mathew and Mr. Anoop Koruth Mathew ID (A-232) ABC.
- ★ A baby girl Sherona Mariam Rajan, born to Mrs. Asha Mariam Rajan and Mr. Rajan Kunjachan ID (R-116) ABC, on 31st Jan 2017.

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

General Co-ordinator - Mr. Rony C Varghese (050-6393540)

Route 1 - Ajman-Church - Mr. Koshykunju V (K-84) 056-9252890 (Bus Starting at 6.30 am)

Route 2 - Sonapur-National Paint - Binladen R/A - J&P - Geco - CS - Maza - Al Nadha - Al Khan - Church Mr. Yohannan P.V. (Y-02) 055-6779607

Route 3 - 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. Binoy Ponnachan (B-213) 050-2776980

Route 4 - Sajja Camp, UAE Exchange, Police station Contact Mr. Aby John Thomas (A-338), 052-2743356

PONNOMANAKAL

Exclusive fellowship for specially talented ponnomanakal & their parents will be held on Saturday 27th May 2017 at 4.00 PM in parish hall.



Alex Abraham
Trustee Finance

Trustees Message



Mr. Benny K. Jain
Trustee Accounts

Dear Beloved In Christ,

We, Trustees of Sharjah Marthoma Church for the Year 2017-2018 Mr. Alex Abraham (Trustee Finance) & Mr. Benny Kunjappan Jain (Trustee Accounts) jointly take this opportunity to express gratitude and offer praise to God Almighty along with heartfelt thanks to our Parish Members for selecting us to carry forth in faith the responsibilities of our Church. God Chose us to be His tools to demonstrate His glorious power and mercy for his people with no merit of our own.

This year commemorates the 40th year of the Sharjah Marthoma Church and this opportunity to serve the Parish during this grandiose moment is truly humbling This has built our resolve to submit completely to His will and work diligently for the Church.

We request your support and prayers to make this year special and help us to invest whole heartedly in our duties and endeavors. We pray to the almighty to grant us the health, strength and courage to carry out our responsibilities in His precious name.



Roby Achens New Contact Details in India

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HEALING THROUGH PROPER RELATIONSHIP **ഉത്തമ ബന്ധങ്ങളിലൂടെയുള്ള സൗഖ്യം**

പ്രകൃതി നമ്മെ എന്തു പഠിപ്പിക്കുന്നു

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| → <i>Humility</i> | → താഴ്മ |
| → <i>Broadminded ness</i> | → വ്യത്യസ്തതകളെ അംഗീകരിക്കാനുള്ള ഹൃദയ വിശാലത |
| → <i>Respect one another</i> | → പരസ്പര ബഹുമാനം. |

HEARTY WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

1	K-93	NS	Mr. P. M. KURIAN Podimala MTC, Poovathoor kurian@alshiraostationery.com 056-4345391
2	E-27	DXG	Mr. EASOW THOMAS Bethel MTC, Krishnarejapuram, Bangalore easowbtlus@gmail.com 056-4345391
3	S-640	UAG	Mr. SAJAN T GEORGE MTC Padijarekkara Neerattupuram, Thalavady 050-7691791
4	R-276	SUC	Mr. RIJU THOMAS Immanuel MTC Mepral, Thiruvalla rijuthomas.m@gmail.com 050-8743732
5	R-277	SUC	Mr. RIJU THOMAS Immanuel MTC Mepral, Thiruvalla rijuthomas.d@gmail.com 050-3661053
6	R-275	SCS	Mr. ROBIN V MATHEW MTC Cherukole, Mavalikara. Robinmatthew@gmail.com 052-6817184



7	L-67	SUC	LUO VARGHESE ABRAHAM St. Thomas MTC, Kurathikadu ljovarghese@gmail.com 050-2974295
8	G-186	RSQ	Mr. GINU KURUVILLA SAMUEL Bethany MTC, Thirumoolapuram, Thiruvalla ginusamuel@yahoo.com 050-7065949
9	V-174	NS	Mr. VARGHESE PHILIP Trinity MTC, Mekazhoor, Pathanamthitta binsphilip.me@gmail.com 050-6723254
10	S-641	SAN	Mr. SURAJ EAPEN JOHN St. Thomas MTC, Kurathikadu, Mavalikara surujohn00@gmail.com 055-2348326
11	J-569	NS	Mr. JAISON JACOB Immanuel MTC, Kalluvathukkal, Kollam jaizjacob@gmail.com 052-6961915



PARISH LIBRARY

Functions every Friday from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm
in the Parish Hall Complex, first floor.



PARISH AS A HEALING COMMUNITY ഇടവക സൗഖ്യദായക സമൂഹം

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| ▶ Healing through a Prayerful Life | June | ▶ പ്രാർത്ഥനാ ജീവിതത്തിലൂടെയുള്ള സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Forgiveness as a Healing | July | ▶ ക്ഷമ എന്ന സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing through Worship | August | ▶ ആരാധനയിലൂടെയുള്ള സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing through Word of God | September | ▶ ദൈവവാചനം നൽകുന്ന സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing within our family | October | ▶ കുടുംബത്തിനുള്ളിലെ സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing of the Inner mind | November | ▶ ആന്തരിക സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing and Social Obligations | December | ▶ സാമൂഹിക കടപ്പാടുകൾ നിറവേറ്റുന്നതിലൂടെയുള്ള സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing and proper utilization of Resources | January | ▶ സൗഖ്യവും വിഭവ വിനിയോഗവും |
| ▶ Obstacles leading to healing | February | ▶ തടസ്സങ്ങൾ സൗഖ്യത്തിനായി |
| ▶ Power of Suffering in healing | March | ▶ സഹനശക്തി നൽകുന്ന സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing through Nature | April | ▶ പ്രകൃതിയിലൂടെയുള്ള സൗഖ്യം |
| ▶ Healing through proper Relationship | May | ▶ ഉത്തമ ബന്ധങ്ങൾ നൽകുന്ന സൗഖ്യം |

AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	Church ID	Tel. No.
AJC	01 05 2017	8.30 PM	Church	Mr. Achenkunju Oommen	A-364	055-1023398
				Mr. Saju Varghese	S-633	055-1023398
RCH	01 05 2017	8.30PM	P. Hall	Mr. Robin Mammen	R-99	052-6467521
MC	02 05 2017	8.30 PM	Church	Mr. Bobby Mathew	B-274	050-7172257
				Mr. Jiji George	J-236	050-7728501
				Mr. Sunil Mathew	S-301	050-4857189
NS	02 05 2017	8.30 PM	P. Hall	Mr. Abraham Chacko	A-125	050-4450134
				Mr. Joyan George	J-321	056-6279905
				Mr. Mathews Thadathil	M-164	050-3623351
				Mr. Suvi George Varghese	S-50	050- 6268168
DXG	05 05 2017	7.30 PM	Residence	Mr. Moni Jose Cherian	M-59	050-7868629
BMW	08 05 2017	8.30 PM	Church	Mr. Saji Samuel	S-421	050-8681849
CA	08 05 2017	8.30 PM	Navathy	Mr. George Jacob Kolathu	G-113	050-1617436
				Mr. Mammen Thomas	M-216	050-6744708
ABC	09 05 2017	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Shibu John	S-343	050-4819543
				Mr. Saji Jacob	S-265	050-6240350
				Mr. Joy Thomas	J-159	050-6364201
MM	09 05 2017	8.30 pm	P. Hall	Contact Area Secretary		050-5533158
ACC	16 05 2017	8.30 pm	P. Hall	Mr. Wilson P V	W-05	050-6747656
				Mr. Thomas Baby	T-209	050-7299266
DXA	12 05 2017	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Moncy Baby	M-215	050-4740988
SCS	15 05 2017	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Thomas V. E.	T-268	050-5760851
SUC	15 05 2017	8.30 pm	Navathy	Mr. Aji Titus	A-292	055-3047365
				Mr. Nithin Varghese	N-20	055-1757056
IM	15 05 2017	8.30 pm	Navathy	Mr. Ashly Thomas	A-183	050-2156545
				Mr. Johnson G Yohannan	J-385	050-5760971
KHS	20 05 2017	8.30 pm	Church	Mr. Aju Pappachen	A-260	050-5756372
				Mr. Jibi Thomas John	J-384	055-6250704
				Mr. Nithn Geo Thomas	N-34	055-9122462
				Mr. Saji Thomas	S-318	050-7567404
ALK	22 05 2017	8.30 pm	Church	Contact Area Secretary		050-7690802
RSQ	23 05 2017	8.30 pm	P. Hall	Mr. Melvin John Mathew	M-217	050-5850180
AGM		8.30 pm		Contact Area Secretary		050-5673641
SAN	23 05 2017	7.00 pm	Navathy	Contact Area Secretary		050-5190747

UAQ - 7:00 pm on all Fridays except 3rd Friday - Contact Area Secretary: Mr. Ani Mathew, A-273, Mob: 055-8433540

Area Prayer Group - Meeting Dates for June 2017

2ND- DXG. 5th-AJC & RCH. 6th-MC & NS. 9TH-DXA, 12TH CA & BMW,
13TH ABC & MM. 19TH -SCS,SUC,IM, 20TH-ACC. 23RD-AGM & SAN
26TH ALK, 28TH RSQ & KHS.

**RT. REV. GEEVARGHESE MAR
ATHANASIOUS SUFFRAGAN
METROPOLITAN'S FAREWELL**



ROBY ACHEN'S FAREWELL



Sharjah Mar Thoma Sunday school

- The Final Round of the Quiz for students from, Intermediate -1 to Young Adult-2, will be held on 5th May 2017 at 10:30am.
- The Parent Interaction Day will be held on 12th May 2017. Parents are encouraged to volunteer to assist during singing session and to take the lessons in classes. An open forum for Parent and Teachers will be held following Sunday School classes.
- The VBS 2017 is scheduled to be held from 26th May (Friday) to 2nd June (Friday). The theme is May your Kingdom Come (Matthew 6:10). The schedule for the VBS is as follows:
26th May 2017 (Inaugural Day) -5:30pm to 8:45pm
27th May -31st May 2017(Regular Classes) - 6:30pm to 8:45pm
2nd June 2017(Final Day) - 5:00pm -8:00pm.
- On the 3rd June 2017, a Teen's Retreat will be held from 8:30am to 4:00pm.

For more details regarding Sunday school activities, please contact:

Head Master: Mr. John Thomas (J-93) 050-4991168

Secretary: Mr. Ashok Rajan (A-112) 050-3614229

Asst. Head Master: Mr. Varghese Samuel (V-19) 050-7278925

Email: sharjahmtss@gmail.com



SHARJAH MAR THOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

THEME : YOUR KINGDOM COME (MATHEW 6:10)

'നിന്റെ രാജ്യം വരേണമേ' (മത്തായി 6:10)

Director : Rev.Jijo Varghese

Opening Day : Friday, 26th May (05:30 pm - 08:45 pm) | VBS Classes : 27th-31st (06:30 pm - 08:45 pm)

Final Day : Friday, 02nd June (5:00 pm - 08:00 pm)

PARISH ORGANISATION EVENTS

PARISH MISSION

Every Sunday at 8:30 pm in Church, except 1st Sunday

• **NIGHT PRAYER** will be held as a Praise and Worship meeting on 25th May (Thursday) immediately after the Church Service. Participate prayerfully and be Blessed.

• **PRAYER CELL** : For any prayer request, please contact conveners :
Mr. Biji Mammen (B-6), 050-5450186 or Mr. Mathew Koshy (M-7), 050-6978280.

Cell Prayer meeting will be held every Sunday at 7.30 pm in Church

For more details, Contact - Secretary: Mr. Joy Thomas (J-159) 050-6364201

Vice President: Mr. Joy Mathew (J-27) 050-7371650.

SEVIKA SANGAM

Every Wednesday at 8:30 pm in Parish Hall

Fasting Prayer on 21st May (3rd Sunday), from 10:00 am in Church

For more details, Contact Secretary: Mrs. Jiss Mary Mammen (M-216) 050-7107961

Vice President: Mrs. Alice Abraham (A-007) 06-5636921

YUVAJANA SAKHYAM, YOUTH FELLOWSHIP & YOUNG COUPLES FELLOWSHIP

Regular Meeting: • Regular Sakhyam meetings on every Saturdays at 8:30 pm
• Youth Fellowship on every Saturdays at 6:30 pm in Church
• Combined meetings of YS-YF-YCF on 4th Saturday at 8:00 pm

For more details on Sakhyam Activities please contact:

- * Yuvajana Sakhyam Secretary: Mr. Jacob George (J-320) 050-7152611
- * Youth Fellowship Co-ordinator: Mr. Steve Joe Shaji (S-39) 055-9443681
- * Young Couples Fellowship Co-ordinator: Mr. Shinto Varghese (S-554) 052-9878177
- * Yuvajana Sakhyam Vice President: Mr. Binu Easow Samuel (B-25) 050-4792155

CHOIR

Practice on every Wednesday at 8.30 pm in Church

For details, Contact: Secretary: Mr. Roy K. Iype (R-123) 050-9785560,

Vice President: Mr. Mathew M. Johnson (M-56) 055-9860375.

SENIOR CITIZENS FORUM

(A Fellowship of Senior Members)

Monthly meeting compained with annual general body will be held on 20th May at the residence of Mr. K. T. Thomas ID T-13. All are requested to be present.

For More Details, Contact :

Secretary:- Mr. Raju Samuel (R-66), 050-4545250

Vice President : Mr. Samuel P Mathew (S-27) 050-6311413.

FASTING PRAYER

Every Friday at 12:30 pm in Navathy Hall

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

Contact Lay Leaders. Mr. Binu Oommen Mathew, 050-8631207, Mr. Roy P Varghese, 050- 3206731

KAISTHANA SAMITHI 2016-17



CONDOLENCES ON THE DEMISE OF

- ❖ Mrs. Aleyamma George 89 yrs mother of Mr. M.P. Philipose (ID-P 17, MM) passed away. Funeral held at MTC Pathanamthitta.
- ❖ Mrs. Annamma Issac 81yrs, mother of Mr. Teny Issac (ID-T 178, ALK) passed away. Funeral held at punnavely St. Thomas MTC.
- ❖ Mrs. Saramma Joseph mother of Mr. Thomas Joseph, (ID T-246, RCH) passed away. Funeral held at Aarohanam MTC, Puthenkave.
- ❖ Mr. Varghese Thomas 79 yrs, our Ex-member and Father in Law of Mr. Thomas Varghese (ID T-236,ALK) passed away. Funeral held at St. Thomas MTC, Anamala, Pullad.
- ❖ Mr. E.A.Chacko 83 yrs Father of Mr. Abraham Chacko (ID A-125, NS) and Mr. Jacob Chacko (ID J-238,RCH) passed away. Funeral held at Eraviperoor Immanuel MTC.
- ❖ Mrs. Annamma George 89 years, Grand Mother of Mr. Thomas Sam (ID T-231, ALK) passed away. Funeral held at Kundra Salem MTC.
- ❖ Mrs. Susy Varghese 77 yrs mother of Mr. Thomas Varghese (ID T-236, ALK) passed away. Funeral held at salem MTC Kaviyoor.
- ❖ Mrs. Thankutty George 85 yrs mother of Dr. T.G. Thomas (ID T-164, ABC) passed away. Funeral will be held on Hyderabad MTC.
- ❖ Mr. Daniel Thomas 88 yrs Father in Law of Mr. Koshy Kunju P.T (ID K-79, MM) passed away. Funeral held at Kundara, IPC Church.
- ❖ Mr. P.T. Philip 73 years, Father in law of Alex Thomas (A-166) passed away. funeral held at St. Thomas Orthodox Church, Thottomon, Ranny.

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

JOB CELL:

If there is any job vacancy, please inform Job Cell Convenor on
email: smtysjobcell@gmail.com

For more informations Please contact:

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Chaplain	Rev. Sajesh Mathew 06-5454858 / 050-2214400 Fax 06-5546016	Trustee Accounts	Mr. Benny K. Jain 050-4517820 benny_jain@hotmail.com

Church Care Takers: Mr. A. G. Samuel (Joy) 055-2731678, Mr. Mathew John (Biju) 052-5274609

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