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Message From the Vicar

CHILDREN-THE PRECIOUS GIFT OF GOD

Month November is dedicated specially for children. It is the month in which Sunday school is observing 'World Sunday School Day'. Our homeland India is observing 'Children's day' on Nov.14th in relation to the birthday of our first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. Therefore myself consider this as a valid topic for our meditation during this month.

Children are the gift of God. "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it" Pro.22:6. Training the children is a challenge for the parents. We may not disagree the fact that childhood experience favourably or adversely affect the future of the person. The experiences in the first few years are core for the growth of a person. Children are the hope of our future. Lack of proper guidance in the development of a child certainly ends up in anarchy. If we analyze the causes behind increasing antisocial activities, may end up in conclusion that these are due to the unhealthy atmosphere in their home. This awareness must open up the eyes of the parents. Hence rearing up the children is a great task.

Jesus said do not reject or ignore the little ones. He embraces the children and spent time with children. 'Keep the Lamb' is a great commission of Him to the followers. A child requires not only material things but also care and encouragement in the family and outside is significant. Today all may be aware that parenting should not be rigid or permissive but authoritarian. In it children enjoy freedom but under control. Such discipline arouse out of love which is soft and sweet.

Healthy relationship between parents and children are a requirement for building up children. In some families mother takes the responsibility and father keeps aloof from the collective responsibility. It is necessary to feel the presence of both the parents in rearing children. Therefore I would like to offer following guidelines for parents:-

(1)**Parents** must find time to work together regularly. Earlier day's parents were mostly farmers they incorporate children in their domestic work. This provides more attachment; confidence and feeling of being wanted with each other and it paved the way for corrections too. (2) Allow the teenagers to take decision according to their taste. Do not pull them to the interest of the parents but encourage them. (3) **It is good** to know that adolescent child do not desire disciplinarian parents, but a person who can guide them. (4) **Spent** quality time and listen to them both verbal and non-verbal communication. (5) **Let** the child experience intimacy among parents which makes their life happy and secure.

Now a days we all are busy in our schedule. As responsible Christian parents it is our task to prune our child in respect to the will of God. Four areas to be noted :-- (1) **Know the Jesus**:-experience that God is the saviour and beloved (2) **Know Bible**:- get accustomed with the Bible and make it a companion and guide (3) **Know the church**:-God enable us to be member of church so love the church (4) **Know the Society**:-we are living in the community so be a socially responsible person

Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward. Like the arrows in the hand of a warrior are the children of one's youth. Blessed is the parent who fills the quiver with them...Psa.127:3-5. May God almighty bless you and your family.

In Christ' Love

Rev. P John Philip (Vicar)



HOLY QURBANA LECTIONARY & AREA ACOLYTES

Date	Day-Time	Acolytes	Holy Qurbana	First Lesson	Second Lesson	Epistle / Gospel
		From	Theme			
01.11.2015	Sun 8:00 pm	Parish Mission	Children in the Church - World Sunday School Day	Exo. 2:1-10	3 John. 1-15	Eph. 6:1-9 St.Luke.18:15-17
05 11 2015	Thu 7:30 pm	MC	Renewal of the Church - Light on the lamp (Festival of Unity)	"Zech. 4:1-14 "	Rev. 1:12-20	"1 Cor. 3:10-15 St.Mat. 5:14-16"
06 11 2015	Fri 7.30 am	CSI		CSI SERVICE		
12 11 2015	Thu 7:30 pm	MM	Annunciation in Zechariah	1 Chro. 24:1-19	Rev. 8:1-8	"2 Cor. 2:12-17 St.Luke. 1:5-23"
13 11 2015	Fri 7:30 am @CSI Church	Kaisthana Samithi				
19 11 2015	Thu 7:30 pm	Parish Mission	Annunciation to Virgin Mary	Zech. 2:10-13	Gal. 4:1-7	"Eph. 1:3-10 St.Luke. 1:26-38"
20 11 2015	Fri 7:30 am					
20 11 2015	Fri 7:00 pm	Senior Citizens				
26 11 2015	Thu 7:30 pm	NS	Visitation of Virgin Mary to Elizabeth - Celebrating the Good News	"Gen. 18:1-16 "	2 Tim. 4:9-18	"2 Cor. 1:3-11 St.Luke. 1:39-45"
27 11 2015	Fri 8:00 am (English)	Sunday School				
03 12 2015	Thu 7:30 pm	RCH	Birth of John the Baptist- Word of God Inspired to Inspire - Bible Sunday	"1 King. 19:1-21 "	Rev. 10:1-11	"Gal. 1:11-17 St.Luke.1:57-66"
04 12 2015	Fri 7:30 am	RSQ				
06 12 2015	Sun 8:00 pm	Parish Mission				

HOLY MATRIMONY WISHES

- ❖ **Mr. Jebin Johns (S/o. Mrs. & Mr. T.C. Johns, ID # J- 69, AJC Area) with Ms. Aldin Raj Mathew (D/o. Mrs. & Mr. Mathew John) on 23rd November at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Kozhencherry.**

NEW BORNs:

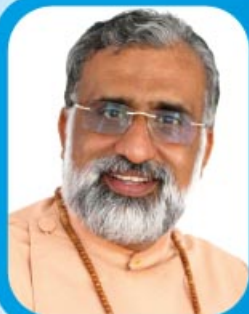
- ★ **A baby boy, Bevin Binoy Thomas, is born to Mr. Binoy Thomas & Mrs. Veena Francis (ID# B-133, DXG)on 16th October.**

BAPTISM

- **Mst. Nathan John Simon, S/o. Mr. John Vinu Simon & Mrs. Remya Elizabeth Mathew 9 ID # J-350, ALK Area) on 17th October 2015 in our Church**

JOB CELL:

**If there are any job vacancy, please inform Job Cell Convenor:
Mr. Nithin Geo Thomas - 055-9122462 - email: smtysjobcell@gmail.com**



WELCOME TO BISHOP

Rt. Rev. THOMAS K. OOMMEN

Deputy Moderator, CSI



MTC-CSI UNITY SERVICE at 7.30 AM on 6th November in Mar Thoma Church & 13th November in CSI Church. CSI Deputy Moderator & Madhya Kerala Maha Edavaka Bishop Rt.Rev. Thomas K. Oommen will lead the Unity Service on 6th November.

FIRST COMMUNION ON FRIDAY 18th DECEMBER 2015, 7am.

Classes for First communicants on November 6, 13, 27 & December 4, 11 from 12.30 - 2 pm.

FAREWELL TO

Mr. K.S. Thomas kutty (ID # T-73, CA), Former Vice President of the Parish and an active leader, transferred to Home Parish - St. Andrews Mar Thoma Church, Vadasserikkara.

Sharjah Marthoma Parish expresses, sincere thanks and gratitude for the earstwhile members for all their services to the church and wishing them all the Blessings from God Almighty wherever they are.

MEMBERSHIP DATA UPDATION

Parish members who are changing residence, Area Prayer Groups, Post Box or Telephone details may please submit the forms available at Church counter or through WebSite to update our records. Contact Parish Secretary, BENSON P.V (050-4396632), for further information.

FASTING PRAYER

Every Friday at 12:15 pm at Navathy Hall












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

Contact Lay Leaders: Mr. Liju John Thomas (L-12) 050-7576332 Mr. Mathews John (M-162)055-5971262

HOLY LAND TOUR (30th November to 6th December)

The Holy Land Tour, which is being organised by the Parish Mission, is postponed to 30th November - 6th December 2015. Those interested to take part in this tour are requested to give their names to the Parish Mission Secretary: Mr. George Thomas (G-52) 050-6561876 or Convener : Mr. Cherian Thomas (C-7) 050-6263398

HEARTY WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

1	SUC	A-353	Mr. AJAY GEORGE ABRAHAM Bethlehem MTC, Kollad brajy@gmail.com 055-8308852		8	DXG	L-58	Mr. LIBU THOMAS St. Thomas MTC, Puthenpeediaka, Omalloor thomaslibu41@yahoo.com 056-4412733	
2	IM	A-354	Mr. ALEXANDER ABRAHAM Ebenezer MTC, Vasco, Goa alex195699@yahoo.com 055-7675631		9	IM	N-41	Mr. NOBLE ANIYAN Hebron MTC, Thevalakkara noble.aniyan@gmail.com 055-9971206	
3	SUC	A-355	Mr. ANOOP MAMMEN ABRAHAM Nazarath MTC, Ranny 052-8892324 anoopmamf@gmail.com		10	MC	P-141	Mr. PRATHEESH MATHEW MTC, Kambamcode mathewpratheesh@yahoo.com 055-1288578	
4	RCH	A-356	Mr. AJO RAJAN Bethel MTC, Kottara ajorjn@gmail.com 050-3628018		11	DXA	R-251	Mr. REGI VARGHESE Mar Thoma Sleeba Church, Kaviyoor varghesereg@gmail.com 050-7345252	
5	ALK	C-39	Mr. CLINTON BABY PANAMPUNNA Ebenezer MTC, Trissur clintonpbaby@gmail.com 055-7619390		12	SAN	R-252	Mr. RIDISH K. VARGHESE St. Thomas MTC, Karimba, Palakkad ridishvk@yahoo.com 050-8038608	
6	DXG	N-39	Mr. DANI GEORGE MTC, Thazhava, Thodiyoor georgedanigeorge@gmail.com 056-2168222		13	SAN	V-170	Mr. VARGHESE THAMPY Salem MTC, Edanad, Chengannoor vphilip1272@gmail.com 050-4797097	
7	BMW	D-40	Mr. DENNY P. GEORGE MTC, Kannamcode, Adoor geo.denny2014@gmail.com 050-9232925						



**CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE ON
18th DECEMBER 2015
FROM 6.30 PM AT CHURCH**



KIDS AND TEENS MEET

Area	Date	Time	Area	Date	Time
ABC	20/11(fri)	7.30p.m	MM	24/11(tues)	7.30p.m
ACC	25/11(wed)	8.00p.m	NS	23/11(mon)	7.30p.m
ALK	30/11(mon)	7.30p.m	RCH	16/11(mon)	7.30p.m
DXA/DXG	21/11(sat)	4.00p.m	RS	22/11(sun)	7.30p.m
KHS	29/11(sun)	7.30p.m	SCS	18/11(wed)	7.30p.m
MC	30/11(mon)	7.30p.m	SUC	18/11(wed)	7.30p.m

WEB SITE

www.marthomaparishsharjah.com

If you have any suggestions or comments please contact:

Webmaster Mr. Aji Thomas ID A-95 Tel. 050-6283036 or webmaster@marthomaparishsharjah.com

PICNICS - AREA PRAYER GROUPS

NS area on Friday, 13th Novemeber

SCS area on Monday 30th November.

AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

Area	Date	Time	Venue	Hosted by	Church ID	Tel. No.
ABC	10.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Koshy Kurian	K-081	050-5417413
				Dr. Thomas T.G.	T-164	050-2195570
ACC	17.11.2015	8.30PM	Church	Mr. Joy Kurian	j-455	055-4645762
AGM	27.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. K.C. Kuruvila	K-055	050-6530761
AJC	02.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Kurien P. Mathew	K-005	050-6324800
ALK	23.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. George Mathew	G-119	050-1402985
BMW	09.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Jacob Mani	J-098	050-6976029
CA	09.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Shaji John	S-111	050-3675770
				Mr. Shibu John	G-110	050-6260119
DXA	13.11.2015	7:30 PM	Residence	Mr. Varghese V.C	V-121	055-7628585
DXG	06.11.2015	7:30 PM	Church	Mr. Kuruvilla Abraham	K-017	050-5506185
IM	16.11.2015	8:30 PM		Mr. Anil P. Thomas	A-164	050-3047110
				Mr. Kuriyan P. John	K-087	055-2255726
				Mr. Sunish Dalmy	S-564	050-4847616
KHS	24.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Ribbu Kuruvila	R-211	050-3654152
MC	03.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Manoj T. Varghese	M-075	050-4545639
MM	10.11.2015	8.30PM		Mr. David Thomas	D-001	050-6340281
NS	03.11.2015	8.30 PM	Church	Mr. George Mathew	G-011	050-5848837
				Mr. Koshy George	K-010	050-6351427
				Mr. Sheby Koshy Mathew	S-272	050-6741494
				Mr. Thomas Chacko	T-034	050-6465029
RCH	02.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. Jigi Mathew	J-309	050-7485025
				Mr. Joy Thankachan	J-323	055-2232866
RSQ	24.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Contact Area Secretary / Representative		050-8574679
SAN	27.11.2015	8:00 PM	Church	Mr. Vimal Sam Koshy	V-157	050-4127993
SCS	16.11.2015	8:30 PM	Church	Mr. George Lal	G-100	050-5147918
SUC	16.11.2015	8.30 PM	Church	Mr. Jobby Thomas	J-410	055-8686348
				Mr. Shibu Varughese	S-545	050-7856728

UAQ - 7:00pm on all Fridays except 3rd Friday - Contact Area Secretary Mr. K.B. Mathew B-212, 055-9419157

Area Prayer Group Meeting Dates for November 2015

1st- MC,NS; 8th- ABC; 11th-AJC,RCH; 12th-MM; 14th- BMW,CA; 15th- ACC; 19th- DXA,DXG,SUC,UAQ; 21st-IM,SCS; 22nd- KHS,RSQ; 25th- AGM,SAN; 28th- ALK

PARISH LIBRARY

Parish Library functions every Friday from 10.30AM to 12.30 PM in the Parish Hall Complex, first floor. Contact Librarians Mr. Gubbu Itty John (ID: G-132 , Mob 050-9421920) or Mr. Gigi George (ID: G-137, Mob 050-6579216) for membership and for further details.

PARISH ORGANISATION EVENTS

PARISH MISSION

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

Night Prayer will be held as a Praise and Worship meeting on 26th November (Thursday) immediately after the Church Service. Participate prayerfully and be Blessed.

For more details, Contact Secretary: Mr. George Thomas (G-52) 050-6561876, Vice President: Mr. Cherian Thomas (C-7) 050-6263398

SEVIKA SANGAM

Every Wednesday at 8:30 pm at Parish Hall

Fasting prayer on 15th November (3rd Sunday), from 10:00 am onwards at Church.

Centre Meeting (Kalamela) on Friday, 13th November from 1 pm in our church.

One Day Cruise Trip to Musandam / Kasab: on Saturday, 14th November. Convener Mrs. Mercy Mathew (M-2, 050-4569722)

For more details, Contact Secretary: Mrs. Laly Mathew (M-40) 050-7874129.

Vice President: Mrs. Annamma Cherian (C-11) 050-6317288

YUVAJANA SAKHYAM, YOUTH FELLOWSHIP & YOUNG COUPLES FELLOWSHIP

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

UAE Centre Kalamela on Wednesday, December 2 at our Church.

Christmas Carol House Visits - starts on Saturday, November 28th.

For more details on Sakhyam Activities please contact:

- * Yuvajana Sakhyam Secretary: Mr. George John (G-110) 050-6260119
- * Youth Fellowship Co-ordinator: Ms. Reshma Sarah Johns (R-221) 056-3589005
- * Young Couples Fellowship Co-ordinator: Mr. Ajith Joe Mathews (A-281) 055-7167574
- * Yuvajana Sakhyam Vice President: Mr. Mathew Philip (M-60) 050-6748136

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Classes on Every Friday and will begin at 10.30 AM at Church.

"Annual examination for LKG to Grade 5, 7, 9 & 11 : Friday 20-11-2015 at 1 PM.

Birudh examination for grade 6, 8, 10 & 12 and teacher's examination: Friday 11-12-2015 at 1:00 pm.

Graduation ceremony for outgoing 12th grade students will be held on Friday, 27-11-15."

SENIOR CITIZENS' FORUM

(A Fellowship of our Senior Members)

Meeting on 21st November (3rd Saturday) at 8:00pm at Parish Hall

For More Details Contact Secretary:- Mr. M.A. Mathew (M-12) 050-4972008,

Vice President :- Mr.P.S.Jose (J-60) 050-6347334

CHOIR

Practise on every Wednesday 8.30 pm at Church

" 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. Blesson Abraham (B-116) 050-7445357

Vice President: Mr. Thomas Varghese (T-41) 050-5768258.

PERSONAL COUNSELLING

Contact Vicar : Rev. John Philip P. - 06-5674876 / 050-8627593 pjpachen@hotmail.com

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

Coordinator - Mr. Solly Chacko, (S-248) 050-3456995

Route 1 - Ajman-Church Mr. Binu Oommen Mathew (B-121) 050-8631207

Route 2 - Sonapur-National Paint - Binladen R/A - J&P - Geco - CS - Maza - Al Nadha - Al Khan - Church Mr. Benny Varghese (B-210) 050-1783986

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. Thomas Samuel (T-144) 055-9704700

CONDOLENCES ON THE DEMISE OF

- ❖ Rt. Rev.Dr. M.C. Mani, Rtd. Bishop of CSI Madhya Kerala Maha Edavaka, back to His Heavenly Abode on 20th October. Bishop was a merciful shepherd, who inspired the Society.
- ❖ Annamma Varghese, 82 years, Mother of Mr. Sabu Varghese (S-380, SAN) passed away on 30th September. Funeral Services held at Kaithakode MTC.
- ❖ Peter Oommen, 70 years, Father in law of Mr. Jerrin Iype thomas (J-356, DXA) passed away on 2nd October. Funeral Services held at Puthencavu Orthodox Church.
- ❖ Mariamma Varghese, 65 years, Mother in law of Mr. Abraham Kureekatil (A-197, RCH) passed away on 9th October. Funeral Services held at Mekozhoor Trinity MTC.
- ❖ Biju Ommechen, 52 years, Brother in law of Mr.Gubbu Itty John (G-132, NS) passed away on 17th October. Funeral Services held at St.Mary's Jacobite Church, Kundara.
- ❖ Saramma Thomas (87 years) Mother of Mr.Samson Thomas(S-68, CA) & grandmother of Mr.Sunish Dalmy (S-564, IM) on 19th October. Funeral Services held at Thrikkannamangal MTC.

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.

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