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Sunday School Region Champions

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Worship Schedule

Date	Time	Worship
Sun, Oct 2	9.30 AM	English Holy Communion Service Live Stream Available. Edavaka Mission Day
Sun, Oct 9	9.30 AM	English Holy Communion Service Live Stream Available; Youth Fellowship Sunday
Sun, Oct 16	9.30 AM	Malayalam Divine Service Live Stream Available.– Yuvajana Sakhyam Sunday
Sun Oct 23	9.30 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Live Stream Available.– Family Dedication Sunday
Sun Oct 30	9.30 AM	Malayalam Holy Communion Service Live Stream Available.– Concluding session of Convention

October Lectionary and Important days in Sabha Calendar

Date	Lesson 1- Lesson 2	Epistle-Gospels
02 Sunday	Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelists' Day 'Do the work of an Evangelist'	
	2Kgs 7:3-11	2Tim 4:1-5
	2Cor 4:1-6	Luke 10:1-12
09 Sunday	Christian Approach to the Differently Abled	
	2Sam 9:1-12	2Cor 4:16-18
	Acts 3:1-10	Mark 3:1-6
16 Sunday	Youth Sunday - 'Youths: Inheriters of Faith	
	Dan 6:1-10	Titus 2:1-15
	Heb 12:1-13	Mark 10:17-22
23 Sunday	Christian Family Dedication Day "Family that has to be built upon Christ"	
	Gen 48:1-16	Eph 3:14-21
	Col 3:12-25	Luke 2:41-52
30 Sunday	Sanctification of the Church - Kudosh Eetho: Beginning of the Liturgical Year	
	2Chr 34:14-28	1Pet 1:13-19
	Acts 28:17-30	John 2:13-22

~Vicar's Message~

Dearly beloved in Christ,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

I praise God for this time to greet all of you through this newsletter of our parish. Let us thank God for bringing us safely to the Tenth month of this year.

I encourage all of you to participate in the worship service regularly. I call upon all youth to participate and elders to give creative support to our young people at the praise and worship service from 9- 9.30 every Sunday. On Sunday 2nd October Church observes Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelists Day, 9th October as Youth Fellowship Sunday, 16th October as Youth Sunday (Yuvajanasakhyam) and 23rd October as Christian Family Dedication Sunday. On October 30th, , we will observe Kudosh Eetho: Beginning of the Liturgical Year.

Our Parish Convention is scheduled from October 27 to 30 at our Church. Evg. Subi Pallickal. will be our Main speaker this year. I encourage all of you to participate in this Convention in person and convey messages regarding this convention to your friends. It will help us to study the Word of God.

Our Diocese is arranging a public reception to felicitate the Most Rev. Dr Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan on Sunday, October 9th, 2022, at 4.30 pm at Long Island Mar Thoma Church.

Our church began the process of electing four new Bishops. Let us pray for receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit in the election process so as the election will take place according to God's will.

Let us all try to be instrumental to increase our fellowship at our parish in various ways. I encourage you all to participate in the activities of the parish to become a welcoming community.

May God help us to experience His presence through our worship and fellowship and thus participate in the mission of God.

With prayers and love,

Rev. Saju C. Pappachen



Youth Chaplain's Message

Dearly beloved in Christ,

As we are now in the season of Autumn, it is starting to get colder by the day and along with that, it's getting darker earlier. But one thing we tend to enjoy throughout this season is when trees change colors. It is always enjoyable to go on a long scenic drive just to see the leaves turn orange, brown, and yellow. Kids also love stopping on the leaves to hear the satisfying crunching sounds that it makes. As much as we enjoy the season and its colors, we should be reminded that the colors are enjoyable only when the leaves die. That is where its beauty is realized more. Christ has given us His life while living and, in His death, burial and resurrection. He had shown us in His perfection, how perfect He is to us and how we can enjoy being with Him. In all seasons of our lives, we can abide in His beauty of holiness. As we go through the season by season let us never forget God has given us the precious gift of being life on this earth, to exist for Him. Let us do that to the fullest.



This month we are observing Youth Sunday on the 16th. Let us thank God for the growing generation of our church and continue to pray for them and be there for them. Especially as the new school year starts, there is a lot of pressure that the children face, I pray that families can come together and have time to communicate with one another with understanding at heart. We should pray that our present and future should be a godly generation glorifying God.

College Campus visits are going on this month, let us pray for the college-going youths, especially those who started their freshman year for courage and willpower to be disciplined and study for God. Our Men's Bible Studies is in person on Tuesdays at 8 PM. The Women's Bible Studies are Saturdays at 8 PM on Zoom. I encourage all our youths to join and learn from God's word.

Wishing everyone a blessed and happy October!

Much love,

Jess M. George Achen
Rev. Jess Mathew George
Youth Chaplain
North-East Region
Diocese of North America and Europe of the Mar Thoma Church
(516)532-6115 (Cell)



Prayer Meetings

Area	Date & Time	Location
Manhattan NJ	Sat Oct 1	Via Zoom
Bronx Yonkers South	Sun, Oct 2 7 PM	Via Zoom
Upper Westchester/CT	Sat, Oct 8 7 PM	Via zoom
Queens/Long Island	Sun, Oct 9 7 PM	Via Zoom
Yonkers East	Sat, Oct 15 7 PM	Mr. Josen Joseph 189 Round Hill Dr Yonkers NY 10710 (914) 907-1190
Rockland	Sun, Oct 16 7 PM	Mr. Aju Daniel 72 Old Middletown Rd, New City NY 10956 (914) 255-8478
Yonkers West	Sat, Oct 22 7 PM	Via Zoom
Yonkers North	Sun, Oct 23 7 PM	Via zoom

Harvest Festival

**Our Sunday School is organizing a
Harvest Festival on Sunday Oct 9th from
12 Noon to 3 PM in the Church**

**For More Information please contact
Dr. Premila Abraham or Mr. Sajan Abraham**

Organizational Meetings

Sevika Sanghom and Edavaka Mission Joint Prayer Meetings

Event	Date & Time	Location
Friday Prayer	Fri, Oct 7 10.00 am	Via Zoom
Friday Prayer	Fri, Oct 14 10.00 am	Via Zoom
Friday Prayer	Fri, Oct 21 10.00 AM	Via Zoom
Friday Prayer	Fri, Oct 28 10:00 am	Via Zoom

EDAVKA MISSION FASTING PRAYER

Wed Oct 26, 10.00 AM Via Zoom

**Sandhya Namaskaram
Every Wednesday Evening at 7 PM Via Zoom.
Zoom Id 475 849 7706 Passcode: 1111**

**For More Information, Please contact
Mrs. Susan John (914) 826-6636**

Senior Citizen's Fellowship Meeting

**Thursday Oct 6th and Thursday Oct 20th 10.00 AM via Zoom
Zoom Id 475 849 7706 Passcode: 1111**

**For more Information please contact
Mr. George Varkey (845) 268-0812**

Parish Activities for the year

Program	Tentative Dates	Convener(s)
Joint Committee Retreat	May 22 <i>Completed</i>	P.T. Thomas
Graduation Recognition	Jul 3 after Service <i>Completed</i>	Leena Daniel
Picnic	August 20 <i>Completed</i>	Sunny Ninan Mathew Abraham
Senior Citizens Day	Sept 25 <i>Completed</i>	George Varkey
Retreat	Sept 16-18 <i>Completed</i>	T P Jacob
Convention	October 27-30	Josen Joseph
Thanksgiving	November 24	Thomas Oommen Varughese George
Christmas Carol Service	Dec 24	Sherin Mathew Sunil M Varughese Susan John
House Caroling	December Weekends	Joseph Oommen
Parish Day 2023	January 22, 2023	P.T. Thomas
Food Committee		Samuel K Samuel Thomas Oommen
Mission		Mathew V Zacharia
Audio Video Visual		Aju Daniel

OCT BIRTHDAYS

Bronx/Yonkers South

Mrs. Sruthi Edison Vallikunnal	4 Gateway Road # 2D	3
Jessa Ann Thomas	34 Morris Street	8
Ms. Nimmy Varghese	133 Van Cortland Pk. Ave.	9
Johan Joy Anuj	30 Leroy Place	29
Mr. Reji Thomas	15 Intervale Place	30

Manhattan/New Jersey

Mrs. Michelle Mary Philip	29 High Mountain Dr	3
Mrs. Mini Easo	701 Plympton Street	7
Shane Abraham Thomas	327 Merritt Drive	8
Ms. Suzanna Marie Mathews	10 Freeman St	14
Mr. Jonathan Andrews Easo	257 Bradley Ave.	20

Queens/Long Island

Jordan Thomas	12 Nassau Drive	11
Talia Marie Varghese	17 Wendell St	17
Amelia Rachel Varghese	17 Wendell St	30

Rockland

Alyssa Cherian	3 Stern Place	3
Ms. Jocelyn Chacko	161 Laurel Rd	6
Ms. Nisha Susan Thomas	30 Phyllis Drive	6
Mrs. Shirley Issac Chacko	51 Alexander Drive	8
Mr. Raju P. Varughese	24 Reginald Drive	9
Mrs. Tessy Idiculla	112 RENEE LANE	10
Mrs. Anamma John	73 Oakland Place	10
Mr. Sony Mathew Jacob	306 Quidor Court	11
Mr. Thomas John	99 Union Road, Apt. H44	11
Anaya Ann-Marie Mathew	576 ROUTE 304	12
Ms. Soumya Ann Varughese	3 Blithe Ct.	12
Shawn Mathew Varughese	161 Laurel Rd	12
Allen Daniel	72 Middletown Rd	13
Mrs. Susan Philip	29 North Park Terrace	14
Mrs. Liya S. Samuel	5 Spruce Drive	14
Ms. Merin Sara Sabu	4 Michael Drive	24
Mr. Jofy Thomas	248 Betsy Ross Dr	24
Mrs. Lovely Simon	5 Spruce Dr	25
Sherin Ann Mathew	280 Cottage Rd	27
Naomi Beth Chacko	137 Lake Region Blvd	28
Ms. Anisha Varghese	6 Mayfield Street	28
Mr. Snehith Thomas	8 Birret Drive	30
Mr. P. M. John	73 Oakland Place	31
Ms. Meena K. Mathew	37 Headden Drive	31

OCT BIRTHDAYS (contd)

Rockland (Contd)

Mr. Mampatteth Mathews 14 New Holland Village 31

Upper Westchester/CT

Mrs. Elizabeth Chacko 52 High Street 3
Naina Rose Jacob 181 Weed Ave 4
Ethan Joseph Kurian 20 Paradise Dr 5
Aaron Thomas Abraham 6 Glen Avenue 9
Mr. Jose Thomas 40 Evarts Avenue 14
Dr. Sam G. Cherian 288 Spring Rd. 17
Mrs. Suja E. George 18 Bayberry Lane 20
Chris Skariah Niresh 368 Pine Brook Blvd 21
Mr. Cheruthone Mathai 10 Lilac Lane 22
Ms. Nileena Johnkutty 36 Archer Ave. 23
Abigail Abraham 4 Salk Dr 24
Dr. Premila Abraham 20 Harriman Keep 27
Mr. Bejoy Chacko 52 High Street 28
Mrs. Saramma Thomas 131 Harvard Drive 29
Mr. Manoj T. Mathew 5 Wayne Way 30

Yonkers East

Mr. Varghese A. Thomas 108 Cook Avenue 3
Mrs. Mary Varghese 108 Cook Avenue 19
Mr. Josen Joseph 189 Round Hill Drive 20
Ms. Neethu Kuruvilla 28 Balmoral Cress 21
Albin Eapen Shaji 33 Shoreview Drive Apt-2 25

Yonkers North

Ms. Saramma John (sister) 201 Shonnard Terrace 1
Mrs. Sunitha Varghese 7882 Crescent Park Dr. 11
Mrs. Mary Joseph 149 Greenvale Ave. 17
Mr. George Yohannan 105 Midland Terrace 19
Mrs. Mariamma Mathunni 71 Nimitz Road 21
Mr. Thomas Varghese 107 Westminster Drive 23
Mr. Jerry John 17 Argyle Terrace 28
Mrs. Sosamma Thomas 360 Edwards Place 31

Yonkers West

Mrs. Thankamma John 172 Vrendenburgh Ave. 15
Joshua Sawan Mathew 80 Riverdale Ave, Apt #8K 15

Oct Wedding Anniversaries

Bronx/Yonkers South

Mr. Nithin M. Varghese & Mrs. Jessy Varghese 6
1086 Walnut Woods Pl

Mr. George Byju Koshy & Mrs. Sruthi Edison 26
Vallikunnal
4 Gateway Road # 2D

Queens/Long Island

Mr. Thomas Oommen & Mrs. Sherly Thomas 4
313 Old Westbury Road

Rockland

Mr. Samuel John & Mrs. Mariamma John 5
144 Brewery Road

Mr. Abey Cherian & Mrs. Libby Cherian 16
3 Stern Place

Mr. Abraham P. Jacob & Mrs. Cecily Abraham 20
56 Millspaugh Ln

Mr. K. M. Thomas & Mrs. Annamma Thomas 21
5 Eckerson Lane

Mr. Michael Price & Ms. Listy Price 23
3517 John Paul Jones Lane

Upper Westchester/CT

Mr. Pallickal Easo Koshy & Mrs. Mariamma Koshy 9
7 Bonnie Meadow Rd

Mr. John Mathai & Mrs. Timble M. Mathew 19
135 Linn Ave

Yonkers East

Mr. Thomas V. Varghese & Mrs. Susan Thomas 25
1055 Dobbs Ferry Rd.

Yonkers North

Mr. Raju George & Mrs. Annie Raju George 3
194 Osmun Place

Mr. Abraham George & Mrs. Sosamma Abraham 12
23 Eville Avenue

Mr. N. J. Mathai & Mrs. Aleyamma Mathai 14
201 Shonnard Terrace

Yonkers West

Mr. Joseph Oommen & Mrs. Molly Joseph 23
30 Post Street. Apt 5G

Sunday School Regional Competition Winners

1st and 2nd Grade:

English Song - Anya Abraham - Bronze
Storytelling - Anya Abraham - Gold

3rd and 4th Grade:

English Song - Rebecca David - Bronze
Malayalam Song - Jocelyn Samuel - Bronze
Storytelling - Jocelyn Samuel - Gold

5th and 6th Grade:

English Song - Alisha Philip - Silver
Malayalam Song - Aaron Mathew - Gold
Elocution - Selah Simon Bronze

7th and 8th Grade:

English Song - Boys - Thomas Simon - Gold
English Song - Girls - Laila Philip - Gold
Malayalam Song - Boys - Thomas Simon - Silver
Malayalam Song - Girls - Laila Philip - Silver
Elocution - Thomas Simon - Bronze

9th and 10th

English Song Boys - Luke Simon - Gold
English Song Girls - Angela Mathew - Gold
Malayalam Song Boys - Joshua Samuel - Gold
Malayalam Song Girls - Angela Mathew - Gold
Elocution - Luke Simon - Gold
Bible reading - Luke Simon - Gold

Bible Quiz - Daniel John, Luke Simon and Thomas Simon - Silver

English Group song - Silver

Malayalam Group song - Gold

Overall Champions: St Thomas Mar Thoma Church.

Congratulations to all winners and participants and thanks to Liza Abraham, Dr. Premila Abraham, Suja Thannickal, Sony Varghese, Minu Johnykutty, Nisha Yohannan, Danny Eapen, Leena Daniel, Sherlyn Verghese, Jishu Samuel, Susan Philip and everyone else who helped and supported our students. A great job well done.

Upcoming Activities

Convention

Date: October 27-30, 2022

On October 27, 28, 29 at 7 PM.

On October 30th after Service

Speaker: Evangelist Subi Pallickal



OBITUARIES

Mrs. Mariamma Mathew, mother of our member Mrs. Soma John, 39 Brookland Farms Rd, Poughkeepsie, New York went to be with the Lord On September 11, 2022 at Chengannur, Kerala. Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at St. Mary;s Orthodox Church, Puthencavu.

Our member Mr. Kochumman Daniel (father of Mr. Aju Daniel) went to be with the Lord in Kerala on Sunday September 18th at the age of 75. Funeral Services were held at Bethel Mar Thoma Church Kottara on Monday Sept 19th at 2.30 PM Indian Standard Time.

Mrs. Sosamma Philip, older sister of Mrs. Annamma Thannickal, was called to our Lord Friday Sept 23rd in Kerala at the age of 78. Funeral services were held in Kerala

On behalf of St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church NY, I express our sincere condolences to the bereaving families and pray that God give them sufficient courage and strength to face this difficult time.



New Born

Kaluin Thomas son of Thomas Oommen and Ani Thankachan Chacko, 9 Dugan Lane, Yonkers NY. Congratulations and best wishes to the parents.

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