



**ST THOMAS**  
MAR THOMA CHURCH, NY  
34 MORRIS STREET YONKERS, NY 10705



**March**  
**2024**

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# Vicar's Message

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

From the first signs of Spring to the start of Daylight Saving Time, March is a month full of new beginnings. The month of March is blessed with the observance of Great Lent, passion week and the grand culmination of Easter. The Passion (from Latin *patior*, "to suffer, bear, endure") is the short final period before the death of Jesus, described in the four canonical gospels. Here we commemorate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, fulfillment of prophecies and the beginning of the end of Jesus' earthly ministry.

This is the time for an introspection. I pray that it will be an opportunity for us to become more humble and identify with the sufferings of Christ.

I appreciate all those who sincerely participate in Lenten prayer.

March 1st is observed as World Women's Day of Prayer. Through this, they encourage us to take up the burdens of others, to sympathize with the problems of other countries and cultures, and pray with them.

March first Sunday, we meditate upon the theme "Jesus Christ who redeems all." The blessings of God don't have boundaries. It is accessible to all who seek it.

March 6th, we observe Mid- lent.

Second Sunday, we meditate upon the theme "Jesus Christ who liberates." Here, we see Jesus Christ, who gives spiritual and physical deliverance to the people.

Third Sunday we meditate upon the theme "Jesus Christ who stops at the cries of human." The intervention of Jesus with compassion and tenderness are revealed here.

March 22nd is observed as 40th Friday and meditate upon the topic temptations of Jesus. Jesus teaches us that temptations are always with us. But it is our responsibility and duty to live in harmony with God's word and defeat the temptations. On the 4th Sunday we observe Hosanna and meditate the theme "Jesus Christ the Lord of Peace." Christ teaches us how to fight peacefully for justice and fairness in the midst of injustice.

I request your prayerful participation in all services.

Maundy Thursday and Good Friday is a time to meditate on the *kénōsis* of Christ. The Greek word that is actually translated as such from the Greek verb *kenōō*, meaning "to empty" which is a verb form of *kénōsis*. It literally means to "make oneself into nothing. He, the Creator of the world, the God of humanity, the Son of God, chose to let Himself be scourged, beaten, spit upon, mocked, and crucified by His own creation. All the *kénōsis*, was rewarded with victory. Christ's resurrection, the Easter proclaimed victory over death, over sin, and over Satan himself. Without the resurrection, Good Friday is not Good News. The resurrection becomes the peace that was missing in the confusing puzzle of Good Friday. Without the resurrection of Christ, it all seems to have been in vain.

We have a good practice of submitting an amount to GSF undesignated in Lenten period, I request your generous participation for the same. May Lord bless us all.

Rev. John Philip



# Youth Chaplain's Message

Dearly beloved in Christ,

Let us thank God that we are blessed to be part of this Lenten journey. Each Sunday of Lent guides us to remember the earthly ministry of Jesus Christ. The selfless love of Christ in how He used His time to love us is a reminder that this Lenten journey should be a sharpening experience that helps us understand how we use our time and energy as we move forward. It is a season for us to retrospect and introspect ourselves to see if our commitment to God matches God's commitment to us. We know the answer that it does not. We need to recognize God committing Himself totally to us through His birth, life, death, burial, and resurrection. Therefore, the time God blesses us to exist in this world should be dedicated to Him. Timothy Keller once said, "If God is not at the center of your life, then something else is". Lent should be an opportunity for us to recognize the things, positions, people, and the like that we put on the throne of our life in which God should be seated. Lent should not be just a 50-day commitment, but rather a call for us to prepare for our lifetime.

Let us thank God for the past month we had our NERYF Retreat, it was a blessed retreat and our delegates had a great experience and looking forward to next year's return again! On Holy Saturday (March 30th) NERYF will have our One Day Conference held at the St. John's Mar Thoma Church, NY. The theme is Legacy, and I encourage all of our youths to be part of the conference, the main speaker is Dr. Binu Chacko.

May the experience of Lent and Passion week guide us to remember God's unconditional love. Have a blessed Passion week and a rejoicing Resurrection Day!

Much Love,

Jess M. George Achen



# Worship Service Schedule

| Date          | Time    | Worship   |
|---------------|---------|---|
| Sun, Mar 3    | 9:30 am | <i>Praise &amp; Worship: Youth Fellowship</i><br>English Holy Communion Service<br><b>Diocesan Sunday</b><br>Live Stream also available |
| Sun, Mar 10   | 9:30 am | <i>Praise &amp; Worship: Edavaka Mission</i><br>English Holy Communion Service<br>Live Stream also available                            |
| Sun, Mar 17   | 9:30 am | <i>Praise &amp; Worship: Yuvajana Sakhyam</i><br>Malayalam Holy Communion Service<br>Live Stream also available                         |
| Fri, Mar 22   | 9:30 am | <b>40th Friday</b><br>Malayalam Holy Communion Service  |
| Sun, Mar 24   | 9:30 am | <i>Praise &amp; Worship: Sevika Sangam</i><br>Holy Communion Service<br><b>Hosanna Sunday</b><br>Live Stream also available             |
| Thurs, Mar 28 | 9:30 am | Malayalam Holy Communion Service<br><b>Maundy Thursday</b><br>Live Stream also available  |
| Fri, March 29 | 9:00 am | <b>Good Friday</b><br>1st & 3rd Service Malayalam<br>2nd Service English<br>Live Stream also available                                  |
| Sun March 31  | 9:30 am | <i>Praise &amp; Worship: Edavaka Mission</i><br>English Holy Communion Service<br><b>Easter</b><br>Live Stream also available           |

# Lectionary

| Date                       | Lesson 1     | Lesson 2      | Epistle        | Gospel        |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| Sun, Mar 3                 | Gen 12:1-9   | Acts 8:26-40  | Rom 15:14-21   | Mark 7:24-30  |
| Wed, Mar 6                 | Num 21:4-9   | 1 Cor 1:18-31 | Gal 6:11-16    | Mark 8:34-38  |
| Sun, Mar 10                | Exod 3:1-15  | Acts 27:9-25  | Phil 1: 12-20  | Luke13:10-17  |
| Sun, Mar 17                | Gen 21:9-19  | Acts 12:5-16  | Rom 8:26-30    | Mark10:46-52  |
| Fri, Mar 22                | Jer 7:3-17   | 1 Pet 1:13-22 | Rom 8:35-39    | Luke 4: 1-13  |
| Sun, Mar 24                | Zech 9:9-17  | Eph 2:11-22   | Phil 4:4-9     | Luke 19:29-40 |
| Mon, Mar 25                | Isa 63: 1-19 | Heb 2:1-18    |                |               |
| Tue, Mar 26                | Num 21: 1-16 | Eph 2:1-22    |                |               |
| Wed, Mar 27                | Lev 16:1-28  | 1 Pet 4:1-19  |                |               |
| Thur, Mar 28               | Exod 12:1-20 | Phil 2:1-11   | 1Cor 11:23-34  | Mat 26:17-29  |
| Fri, Mar 29<br>1st service | Isa 53:1-12  | 1Pet 1:1-25   |                |               |
| 2nd Service                | Zech 13:1-9  | Gal 3:1-22    |                |               |
| 3rd Service                | Num 21:1-9   | Heb 3:1-19    |                |               |
| Sun, Mar 31                | Isa 60:12-21 | I Cor15:42-58 | 1 Cor 15:20-28 | John 20:1-18  |

# Important Days

| Date          | Thematic Meaning  |
|---------------|---|
| Mar 1         | World Women's of Prayer   |
| Mar 3         | Jesus Christ who redeems all (Fourth Sunday of Lent)                            |
| Mar 06        | Mid-Lent– Take up the Cross and follow  |
| Sun, Mar 10   | Jesus Christ who liberates (Fifth Sunday of Lent)                               |
| Sun, Mar 17   | Jesus Christ who stops at human cries   |
| Fri, Mar 22   | 40th Friday in Lent –<br>Christ who overcomes Temptations                       |
| Sun, Mar 24   | Hosanna:<br>Jesus Christ , the Lord of Peace<br>(Theological Seminary Day)      |
| Mon, Mar 25   | Hasha– Passion Week   |
| Tue, Mar 26   | Hasha– Passion Week   |
| Wed, Mar 27   | Hasha– Passion Week   |
| Thurs, Mar 28 | Maundy Thursday:<br>Celebration of the Divine plan of Salvation                 |
| Fri, Mar 29   | Good Friday:<br>Crucified Christ, the way to Eternal Life                       |
| Sat, Mar 30   | Holy Saturday:<br>Jesus Christ , the one who won over Death by Death            |
| Sun, Mar 31   | Easter;<br>Christ who defeated death and resurrected<br>(End of the Great Lent) |

# Lent Prayer Meetings

| Date         | Time    | Location   |
|--------------|---------|--|
| Fri, Mar 1   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Aju Daniel<br>72 Old Middletown Rd<br>New City, NY 10956       |
| Sat, Mar 2   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Thomas Chacko<br>181 Devoe Ave,<br>Yonkers, NY 10705           |
| Sun, Mar 3   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Thomas P. John<br>46 Leroy Ave<br>Yonkers, NY 10705            |
| Mon, Mar 4   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Varghese E Oommen<br>6 Mayfield St<br>Valley Cottage, NY 10989 |
| Tue, Mar 5   | 6:30 PM | Mr. George V. Mathai<br>696 Bellevue Ave,<br>Yonkers, NY 10703     |
| Wed, Mar 6   | 6:30 PM | Mr. N. J. Mathai<br>201 Shonnard Terrace<br>Yonkers, NY 10703      |
| Thurs, Mar 7 | 6:30 PM | Mrs. Susan John<br>1 Cayuga Court<br>Nyack, NY 10960               |
| Fri, Mar 8   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Jacob Vaidyan<br>222 Round Hill Dr<br>Yonkers, NY 10710        |
| Sat, Mar 9   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Manoj T. Mathew<br>5 Wayne Way,<br>White Plains, NY 10607      |
| Sun, Mar 10  | 6:30 PM | Mr. T. P. Jacob<br>1 Duke Drive<br>Manhasset Hills, NY 11040       |
| Mon, Mar 11  | 6:30 PM | Mr. Abraham P. Jacob<br>5 Allison Circle<br>Garnerville, NY 10923  |

# Lent Prayer Meetings

| Date          | Time    | Location   |
|---------------|---------|--|
| Tue, Mar 12   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Rajan Varghese<br>871 Abbot Street<br>East Meadow, NY 11554      |
| Wed, Mar 13   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Thomas Varghese<br>107 Westminster Dr<br>Yonkers, NY 10710       |
| Thurs, Mar 14 | 6:30 PM | Mr. Y Varghese<br>9 Emerald Street<br>Yonkers, NY 10703              |
| Fri, Mar 15   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Binu K. Abraham<br>22 Old Brick Road<br>New City, Ny 10956       |
| Sat, Mar 16   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Abey Cherian<br>27 Hempstor Rd<br>New City NY 10956              |
| Sun, Mar 17   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Rajan Chacko<br>5 Lester Dr<br>Orangeburg, NY 10962              |
| Mon, Mar 18   | 6:30 PM | Mr. John K. Abraham,<br>32 Eckerson Lane,<br>Spring Valley, NY 10977 |
| Tue, Mar 19   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Cherian Varughese<br>5 Via Trenta Court<br>Yonkers, NY 10710     |
| Wed, Mar 20   | 6:30 PM | Mr. Samuel K. Samuel<br>63 Price Rd<br>Dobbs Ferry, NY 10522         |
| Thurs, Mar 21 | 6:30 PM | Mr. Daniel P. K. Vaidyan<br>131 Harward Dr<br>Hartsdale, NY 10530    |



# Lent & Holy Week Schedule

| Date          | Time     | Location  |
|---------------|----------|---|
| Fri, Mar 22   | 6:30 PM  | Mr. Jerry John<br>7 Oak Lane,<br>Nanuet, NY 10954                     |
| Sat, Mar 23   | 6:30 PM  | Mr. George M. Varkey<br>7 Lowerre Place,<br>Valley Cottage, NY 10989  |
| Sun, Mar 24   | 9.30 AM  | Palm Sunday<br>Malayalam Holy Communion                               |
| Mon, Mar 25   | 6:30 PM  | CHURCH  |
| Tue, Mar 26   | 6:30 PM  | CHURCH  |
| Wed, Mar 27   | 6:30 PM  | CHURCH  |
| Thurs, Mar 27 | 9. 30 AM | Malayalam Holy Communion  |
| Fri, Mar 28   | 9.00 AM  | 1st Service Malayalam<br>2nd Service English<br>3rd Service Malayalam |
| Sun, Mar 29   | 9.30 AM  | Easter<br>English Holy Communion                                      |



# Lent Lectionary

|           |    |         |                          |                        |                  |  |
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| 4-30 ആഴ്ച | 22 | അന്ത്യം | പുറംപാട്<br>33:12-23     | നോക്കി<br>8: 24-39     | മത്തായി 15:21-28 | കനാപ്പി സ്ത്രീയുടെ മക്കളുടെ സൗഖ്യം (ക്രിസ്തോസോസ്തോമസ്) |
|           | 23 | തിങ്കൾ  | മെൽക്കോവു<br>26:1-10     | പെരിയർ<br>7:9-17       | മത്തായി 7:7-14   | നിത്യസമയം ഇടയാക്കുന്നതിൽ                               |
|           | 24 | ചൊവ്വ   | പുറംപാട്<br>3:1-10       | ഫിലിപ്പിയർ<br>1: 18-24 | യോഹന്നാൻ 3:16-21 | പുറംപാട് നഗരം  |
|           | 25 | ബുധൻ    | സംഖ്യാ<br>21:4-9         | മക്കാബർ<br>6: 11-16    | യോഹന്നാൻ 3:1-17  | പെരുന്തി നോമ്പ് (ക്രൂശിതനിലേക്കുള്ള നോമ്പ്)            |
|           | 26 | വ്യാഴം  | സമുദ്രവാക്യങ്ങൾ<br>3:1-8 | യാക്കോബ്<br>1:12-18    | ലൂക്കോസ് 8:50-56 | ബീബിയിലേക്കുള്ള നോമ്പ്                                 |
|           | 27 | വെള്ളി  | മെൽക്കോവു<br>28:16-22    | എബ്രായർ<br>2:1-9       | മത്തായി 21:33-46 | ബീബിയിലേക്കുള്ള നോമ്പ്                                 |
|           | 28 | രേണി    | പോലോ<br>2:16-23          | എഫെസ്യർ<br>5: 25-32    | യോഹന്നാൻ 3:26-30 | ക്രിസ്തുവിന്റെ മോശാദി സൗ                               |

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| 5-30 ആഴ്ച | 29 | അന്ത്യം | മെൽക്കോവു<br>50:1-5  | അലോ പ്രവൃത്തികൾ<br>16:13-24 | ലൂക്കോസ് 13:10-17 | കുന്തിയാരു സ്ത്രീയുടെ സൗഖ്യം (ക്രൂശിതനോ) |
|           | 30 | തിങ്കൾ  | മിഖായ<br>7:7-20      | അലോ പ്രവൃത്തികൾ<br>3:1-8    | യോഹന്നാൻ 5:1-18   | ക്രിസ്തു കരുണയുടെ സമരം                   |
|           | 31 | ചൊവ്വ   | മിഖായ<br>2:20-24     | 1 യോഹന്നാൻ 2: 24-28         | യോഹന്നാൻ 15:1-10  | മുന്തിരിവള്ളിയും കോമ്പുകൾ                |
|           | 32 | ബുധൻ    | മുഖ്യാ<br>18:1-10    | നോക്കി<br>6: 19-23          | ലൂക്കോസ് 19:1-10  | മെൽക്കോവു കൂടും                          |
|           | 33 | വ്യാഴം  | മെൽക്കോവു<br>53:1-12 | 1 പത്രോസ് 2:21-25           | യോഹന്നാൻ 11:47-53 | അടിമത്തത്തിലുള്ള സൗഖ്യം                  |
|           | 34 | വെള്ളി  | യോഹന്നാൻ<br>3:11-17  | മക്കാബർ<br>6:11-16          | മർക്കോസ് 10:35-50 | ക്രൂശിലെ നിന്ദനം                         |
|           | 35 | രേണി    | ഇസ്രായേൽ<br>19:25-29 | 1 കൊരിന്ത്യർ<br>15:34-49    | യോഹന്നാൻ 12:20-28 | രേണിയിലെ നിന്ദനം                         |

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| 6-30 ആഴ്ച | 36 | അന്ത്യം | യോഹന്നാൻ<br>37:1-14    | കൊലോസ്സ്യർ<br>3:1-11     | മർക്കോസ് 10:45-52 | ബർത്തൊമയുടെ സൗഖ്യം (സമീയോ) |
|           | 37 | തിങ്കൾ  | പുറംപാട്<br>19:18      | 1 കൊരിന്ത്യർ<br>12:12-27 | യോഹന്നാൻ 2:17-22  | ക്രിസ്തു ശിശുക്കളുടെ സൗ    |
|           | 38 | ചൊവ്വ   | മെൽക്കോവു<br>6:1-6     | യാക്കോബ്<br>5:12-18      | ലൂക്കോസ് 4:16-22  | ക്രിസ്തു അടിമകാരൻ          |
|           | 39 | ബുധൻ    | മുഖ്യാ<br>4:1-15       | എബ്രായർ<br>9:22-28       | മർക്കോസ് 12:41-44 | അടിമത്തത്തിൽ ആരംഭം         |
|           | 40 | വ്യാഴം  | മെൽക്കോവു<br>6:1-6     | 1 യോഹന്നാൻ 15:10         | ലൂക്കോസ് 15:17-24 | പാപസോധനയിലേക്കുള്ള ആഗ്രഹണം |
|           | 41 | വെള്ളി  | മുഖ്യാ<br>3: 1-13      | എബ്രായർ<br>2: 14-18      | മത്തായി 4:1-11    | പെരിയർ പ്രവൃത്തികൾ         |
|           | 42 | രേണി    | 1 യോഹന്നാൻ<br>17:17-24 | 1 യോഹന്നാൻ<br>4: 13-18   | യോഹന്നാൻ 11:25-26 | ഇരു നീ വിശ്വസിക്കുന്നോ?    |

# Senior Citizens Fellowship

| Date                      | Location |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Thurs, Mar 7<br>10:00 AM  | Zoom     |
| Thurs, Mar 21<br>10:00 AM | Zoom     |

# Sevika Sangham Prayers

| Date                    | Location                             |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Fri, Mar 6<br>10:00 AM  | Zoom                                 |
| Fri, Mar 13<br>10:00 AM | Zoom                                 |
| Fri, Mar 20<br>9.30 AM  | 40th Friday-Malayalam Holy Communion |
| Fri, Mar 27<br>9:00 AM  | Good Friday                          |

# Young Families Fellowship Brunch



# March Birthdays

## Bronx/Yonkers South

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|--------------------------|------------------|----|
| <b>Mrs. Rachel Koshy</b> | 4 Gateway #2D    | 1  |
| <b>Mrs. Susan Jacob</b>  | 245 Rumsey Road  | 15 |
| <b>Mrs. Annamma John</b> | 67 Raybrook Road | 20 |
| <b>Mr. Lenny Thomas</b>  | 68 Linn Ave,     | 26 |

## Manhattan/New Jersey

|                                     |                        |    |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|----|
| <b>Mr. Lucien Thomas Varghese</b>   | 1758 W 5th St          | 3  |
| <b>Mr. Jonathan Behanan Mathews</b> | 10 Freeman St          | 6  |
| <b>Mr. Samuel Ninan</b>             | 707 Cottage Place      | 8  |
| <b>Mrs. Neena S. Philip</b>         | 29 High Mountain Drive | 20 |
| <b>Mr. Samuel Mathew</b>            |                        | 23 |
| <b>Mrs. Blessy N. Varkey</b>        | 39 Hickory Hill Ct     | 24 |
| <b>Mr. Jithin Samuel Easo</b>       | 257 Bradley Ave.       | 29 |
| <b>Mr. Joseph Mathews</b>           | 10 Freeman Street      | 29 |
| <b>Mr. Thomas Daniel Ninan</b>      | 829 Derius Drive       | 30 |

## Queens/Long Island

|                               |                    |    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----|
| <b>Ms. Jibi Mary Raj</b>      | 871 Abbott Street  | 6  |
| <b>Mr. Jayson T. Jacob</b>    | 49 Gary Road       | 14 |
| <b>Mr. Ezra Simon Jacob</b>   | 8356 249th Street  | 23 |
| <b>Ms. Rebecca Aley David</b> | 1480 Horseshoe Dr. | 28 |
| <b>Mr. George David</b>       | 1480 Horseshoe Dr. | 29 |
| <b>Mr. Benjie Varghese</b>    | 17 Wendell St      | 30 |

## Rockland

|                                   |  |    |
|-----------------------------------|--|----|
| <b>Mrs. Shyni Joseph</b>          | 9 Spray Court  | 2  |
| <b>Ms. Sara Ouseph</b>            | 4 Arrow Lane   | 2  |
| <b>Mrs. Ancy Andrews</b>          | 7 Oak Lane   | 3  |
| <b>Mr. Jomy Mathew</b>            | 576 Route 304  | 3  |
| <b>Ms. Laila Grace Philip</b>     | 29 North Park Terrace                                | 3  |
| <b>Ms. Anna Marie Jacob</b>       | 306 Quidor Court                                     | 5  |
| <b>Mrs. Bibi Susan Abraham</b>    | 8 Birret Drive                                       | 8  |
| <b>Mrs. Cecily Abraham</b>        | 56 Millspaugh Ln                                     | 9  |
| <b>Mrs. Libby Cherian</b>         | 3 Stern Place  | 10 |
| <b>Mr. Andrew Jerry John</b>      | 7 Oak Lane   | 10 |
| <b>Mr. Jacob Oommen</b>           | 892 Route 9W   | 15 |
| <b>Mrs. Elsy Jube</b>             | 21 South Cranford Road                               | 16 |
| <b>Mr. Nathaniel Sujin Samuel</b> | 5 Spruce Drive                                       | 16 |
| <b>Mrs. Annamma Thannickal</b>    | 22 N. Debaun Ave Suite 108                           | 17 |
| <b>Mrs. Smitha Sara Zachariah</b> | 306 North Little Tor Road                            | 17 |
| <b>Mr. George Byju Koshy</b>      | 9 Dade Rd  | 20 |
| <b>Mr. K. M. Thomas</b>           | 26 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> N Debaun Ave, Ste 308 | 22 |

# March Birthdays Continued

|                                   |                           |    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|----|
| <b>Mr. Lucas Jonathan Abraham</b> | 488 Strawtown Road        | 23 |
| <b>Mr. Deepak John Joseph</b>     | 9 Spray Court             | 23 |
| <b>Mrs. Sosamma Varughese</b>     | 24 Reginald Drive         | 25 |
| <b>Mr. Abey Cherian</b>           | 27 Hemptor Rd             | 26 |
| <b>Mr. Joseph Koshy</b>           | 86 Susan Drive            | 26 |
| <b>Mr. Ullas P. Thannickal</b>    | 231 North Little Tor Road | 29 |

## Upper Westchester/CT

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------|----|
| <b>Mr. Benoy Kochumman</b>       | 288 Fisher Ave          | 6  |
| <b>Mrs. Annu George Jacob</b>    | 181 Weed Ave            | 9  |
| <b>Mr. John Daniel</b>           | 39 Brookland Farms Road | 12 |
| <b>Dr. Anila Marie George</b>    | 11 Chimney Pot Lane     | 14 |
| <b>Dr. Varghese Thankachen</b>   | 67 Sylvan Road          | 15 |
| <b>Ms. June Koshy</b>            | 7 Bonnie Meadow Rd      | 16 |
| <b>Mr. Lucas George Jacob</b>    | 181 Weed Ave            | 18 |
| <b>Mrs. Soma John</b>            | 39 Brookland Farms Road | 22 |
| <b>Dr. Mathew J. Parayil</b>     | 232 Carol Ave           | 24 |
| <b>Ms. Selah Ann Simon</b>       | 99 Aspen Lane           | 24 |
| <b>Mr. Alex J. Vaidyan</b>       | 131 Harvard Drive       | 29 |
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| <b>Ms. Jenna Grace George</b> | 55 Patton Drive     | 13 |
| <b>Mrs. Merina Andrews</b>    | 38 Eisenhower Drive | 17 |
| <b>Ms. Johanna Pradeep</b>    | 38 Eisenhower Drive | 22 |
| <b>Mr. Pradeep Kuruvilla</b>  | 38 Eisenhower Drive | 24 |

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|                                    |                           |    |
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| <b>Mr. Robin Abraham</b>           | 23 Etille Avenue          | 4  |
| <b>Mr. Abraham Samuel Kankalil</b> | 377 N. Broadway, Apt. 208 | 8  |
| <b>Mr. Rylan John Libin</b>        | 15 Bretton Road           | 9  |
| <b>Ms. Serah Robin</b>             | 37 Montrose Road          | 24 |
| <b>Mrs. Irene Babukutty</b>        | 437 Palisade Ave, Apt H1  | 25 |
| <b>Mrs. Liji Mathew</b>            | 421 Marlborough Road      | 26 |
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| <b>Mrs. Molly Joseph</b>     | 30 Post Street. Apt 5G    | 17 |
| <b>Mr. Isaac John Mathew</b> | 80 Riverdale Ave, Apt #8K | 25 |

# March Wedding Anniversaries

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**Mr. T. P. Jacob & Mrs. Mary Jacob** 1  
1 Duke Drive

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23 Linda Lane

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# Condolences

Mr. P. M. Jacob (Sunny), father of our member Mr. Sony Jacob (306 Quidor Ct, Slingerlands NY 12159) went to his heavenly abode on February 23, 2024 at the age of 75. He was one of the founding members of the Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church, Connecticut, Carmel Mar Thoma Church Boston and Mar Thoma Congregation of Greater NY .Funeral Services will be held on Friday, March 1st, 2024,

Ms. Annamma Samuel (89), member of St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Kallimel, Mavelikkara, sister of our member Mr. Samuel Ninan and aunt of our members Samuel Easo(Sunil), Varghese Easo(James), Annamma J. Varghese(Mini)and Samuel Mathew went to be with the Lord on Thursday, February 29 2024, in Pandalam, Kerala, at the age of 89. Funeral Services will be held on Tuesday, March 5th, 2024,

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

# Kochamma's Corner

ബൈബിളിലെ ചില കുടുംബങ്ങൾക്ക് മാത്രമുള്ള പ്രത്യേകതകളാണ് ചുവടെ കൊടുത്തിരിക്കുന്നത്. ദമ്പതികളുടെ പേരാണ് ഉത്തരമായി എഴുതേണ്ടത്.

1. പുതിയ നിയമത്തിൽ പരാമർശിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള പുരോഹിത കുടുംബം. ഭാര്യ അഹറോന്റെ പാരമ്പര്യത്തിൽപ്പെട്ടവളായിരുന്നു. വാർധക്യത്തിൽ ലഭിച്ച മകൻ ഏലിയാവിന്റെ ആത്മാവും ശക്തിയും ഉള്ളവനായിരുന്നു.
2. ഓനിലെ പുരോഹിതനായ പോത്തിഫേറയുടെ മക്കളെ വിവാഹം കഴിച്ച ഇദ്ദേഹത്തിന് സ്വപ്ന വ്യാഖ്യാനത്തിനുള്ള വരം ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നു .മനശ്ശെയും എഫ്രയീമും ഈ ദമ്പതികളുടെ മക്കളാണ് .
3. യഹോവയുടെ അരുളപ്പാടനുസരിച്ച് പരസംഗം ചെയ്യുന്ന സ്ത്രീയെവിവാഹംചെയ്തപ്രവാചകൻ .യിസ്രേയേൽ ,ലോറുഹമാ, ലോ -അമ്മീ എന്നീ മക്കൾ ഈ ദമ്പതികളുടേതാണ് .
4. ഈന്തപ്പനയുടെ കീഴിൽ പാർത്ത് ന്യായപാലനം ചെയ്ത ന്യായാധിപയുടെ ഭവനം .കനാന്യ രാജാവായ യാബീനെ ദൈവം ഇസ്രായേൽ മക്കൾക്ക് കീഴടക്കിയ ശേഷം മുപ്പത് വാക്യങ്ങളിൽ ഉൾക്കൊള്ളിച്ചിരിക്കുന്ന ഒരു പാട്ട് ഈ ന്യായാധിപ പാടുന്നുണ്ട്.
5. ദേശാധിപതിയും അദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ യെഹൂദാ സ്ത്രീയായ ഭാര്യയും പൗലോസിനെ വരുത്തി യേശുക്രിസ്തുവിലുള്ള വിശ്വാസത്തെക്കുറിച്ച് അവന്റെ പ്രസംഗം കേട്ടു .പൗലോസ് തനിക്കു ദ്രവ്യം തരും എന്ന് ആശിച്ചു പലപ്പോഴും അവനെ വരുത്തി അവനോട് സംഭാഷിച്ചു പോന്നു .ആരാണിവർ ?
6. കർമ്മേലിൽ വ്യാപാരമുള്ള മഹാധനികനായ ഒരു മാവോനൂൻ ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നു .അവൻ നിഷ്കരനും ദുഷ്കർമ്മിയും ആയിരുന്നു .അവന്റെ ഭാര്യ നല്ല വിവേകമുള്ളവളും സുന്ദരിയും ആയിരുന്നു .ഈ മനുഷ്യന്റെ കുടുംബത്തിലെ പുരുഷപ്രജയൊക്കെയും നശിപ്പിക്കുവാൻ ദാവീദ് പുറപ്പെട്ടുവരുമ്പോൾ ഇദ്ദേഹത്തിന്റെ ഭാര്യയുടെ ബുദ്ധിപൂർവമായ സമീപനം ദാവീദിനെ അതിൽ നിന്ന് പിന്തിരിപ്പിക്കുന്നു .ആരാണ് ഈ ദമ്പതികൾ ?
7. കൂടാരപ്പണി ചെയ്ത ഉപജീവനം കഴിച്ച് സുവിശേഷ പ്രവർത്തനത്തിൽ ഏർപ്പെട്ട കുടുംബം .പൗലോസും ഇവരോടൊപ്പം താമസിച്ചു പ്രവർത്തിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട് .ഈ ദമ്പതികളെക്കുറിച്ച് ബൈബിളിൽ പരാമർശിച്ചിട്ടുള്ള ഇടങ്ങളിലെല്ലാം ഇവരുടെ പേരുകൾ ഒരുമിച്ചാണ് എഴുതിയിട്ടുള്ളത് .
8. ജീവപര്യന്തം യിസ്രായേലിന് ന്യായപാലനം ചെയ്ത മകന്റെ മാതാപിതാക്കൾ .മാതാവിന്റെ പ്രാർത്ഥനക്കു ഉത്തരമായി ലഭിച്ച മകനും വലിയ ഒരു പ്രാർത്ഥനാമനുഷ്യൻ ആയിരുന്നു .
9. യിസ്രായേലിൽ ഇരുപത്തിരണ്ട് സംവത്സരം വാണ രാജാവ് ,പത്നി സീദോന്യ രാജാവായ എത്ത് -ബാലിന്റെ മകൾ .യെഹോവയുടെ പ്രവാചകന്മാരെ കൊല്ലാൻ നേതൃത്വം നൽകിയ ഇവർ അശേരാപ്രതിഷ്ഠകളും ബാലിന് ബലിപീഠങ്ങളുമൊക്കെ ഉണ്ടാക്കിയഹോവയ്ക്കു അനിഷ്ടമായുള്ളതു ചെയ്തു .
10. പുതിയനിയമത്തിൽ പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നതനുസരിച്ചു യെരീഹോയിലെ പ്രശസ്തയായ വേശ്യയായിരുന്ന ഇവർ ഒരു യിസ്രായേല്യനെ വിവാഹം കഴിച്ചു .ഇവരുടെ മകനാണ് ബോവസ് .

# Kochamma's Corner

**Below are the characteristics that are unique to some families in the Bible. The couple's name should be written as the answer.**

1. The priestly family is mentioned in the New Testament. The wife was in the lineage of Aaron. The son received in their old age had the spirit and power of Elijah.
2. This man married the daughter of Potiphar, priest of On and had a gift of dream interpretation. The children of this couple were Manasseh and Ephraim.
3. A prophet who married a promiscuous woman according to Jehovah's word. Jezreel, Lo-Ruhamma and Lo-Ammi were the children of this couple.
4. This prophet held court under the palm tree. After God subdued Jabin, the king of Canaan before the Israelites, this female judge sang a song contained in thirty verses.
5. This governor and his Jewish wife sent for Paul and listened to him as he spoke about faith in Christ Jesus. He was hoping that Paul would offer him a bribe, so he sent for him frequently and talked with him. Who are they?
6. A certain man in Maon, who had property there at Carmel, was very wealthy. He was surly and mean in his dealings. His wife was an intelligent and beautiful woman. When David sets out to destroy all the males in this man's family, his wife's wise approach deters David from doing so. Who is this couple?
7. A family engaged in evangelical work earning a living by working as tentmaker. Paul also lived and worked with them. Wherever this couple is mentioned in the Bible, their names are written together.
8. The parents of the son who continued as Israel's leader all the days of his life. The son who got the answer to his mother's prayer was a very prayerful person.
9. This king reigned in Samaria over Israel twenty-two years; he married the daughter of Ethbaal king of the Sidonians. They set up temple of Baal and made Asherah pole and did more to arouse the anger of the Lord, the God of Israel. They give directions to kill many Lord's prophets.
10. According to the New Testament scripture, the famous prostitute of Jericho married an Israelite and they had a child named Boaz.





## **Answers of February Bible Quiz (Daniel )**

1. Plain of Dura in the province of Babylon (3:1)
2. Beside the Ulai Canal (8:2)
3. Michael (12:1)
4. Chapter 9 verse 19
5. Edom, Moab and the leaders of Ammon (11:41)
6. The king of Greece (8:21)
7. Like lightning (10:6)
8. King of the North (11:44)
9. Daniel (Belteshassar)(4:8)
10. All kinds of literature and learning and understand vision and dreams of all kinds.(1:17)

## **Name of the participants in the February Bible Quiz**

1. Mrs. Aleyamma Ninan,
2. Mrs. Vincy R,
3. Mrs. Sosamma Joseph,
4. Mrs. Mariamma Thomas,
5. Mrs. Sosamma Abraham ,
6. Mrs. Marykutty Rajan,
7. Mrs. Aleyamma Thomas,
8. Mrs. Santhamma George,
9. Mrs. Rachel Varghese,
10. Mrs. Thankamma John,
11. Mrs. Sosamma Varghese,
12. Mr. Josen Joseph,
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