| EVENT CALENDAR | | | |
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| | General Body Meeting At Church After Worship Service | | |
| | Edavaka Mission Bible Study At Church @ 7.00 pm | | |
| .* | Palm Celebrations At Church - 9.00 am to 2.00 pm | | |
| Saturday 4/8 | Parent Teacher's Meeting At Church - 1.00 pm | | |
| 4/8 | East Area Prayer Mrs. Lizy & Mr. Daniel Samuel 13391 Gettysburg Street, Fontana CA 92336 | | |
| | Sevika Sangham Meeting At Church after Worship Service | | |
| 4/12 | Western Regional MTVEA Tele Prayer Conference No: (712) - 432 - 1500 Access Code No: 638599# | | |
| | Farewell Meeting to the Vicar & Family At Church After Worship Service | | |
| Sunday 4/23 | Sunday School Final Exams At Church 9.20 am to 10.20 am | | |

DIOCESAN PROGRAM

| 4/20 - 4/21 | Diocesan Annual Clergy Conference | St. Stephens Mar |
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| 4/22 | Diocesan Assembly | Thoma Church New Jersey |

MAR THOMA CHURCH DIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA & EUROPE



Dearly beloved in Christ,

Vicar's Message

I take this opportunity to thank the 2016 Executive committee members for helping in the administration of the church and wish the 2017 Executive committee members all the success under new Vicar Rev. Liju John.

Family is very important to us all, but don't you think that the values and the stability of the homes are drastically altered and it challenges the nature of the family life. How are we going to counteract the influences or how can we pass the beacon of faith to the next generation? Isn't it a major concern?

Parents have the most powerful, governing effect in the life of their children. It's like a recording that begins in their minds from the time of conception and keeps running throughout their life. This is both encouraging and sobering. We have to remember that:

- 1. Children are impacted more by what we communicate with our attitudes and actions than they are by the words. Timothy followed his spiritual father Paul's footsteps (2 Tim. 3: 10 11).
- 2. Christian life demands consistency i.e., home, work place and community life demands same attitude and practice. (1 Pet 2: 1 2).
- 3. Mutual respect and honor is required in our homes by the Word of God. (Eph. 5: 22-23). This develops sense of security and confidence.
- 4. Honesty and transparency increases our value before the kids. Apologizing even before kids is not a sign of weakness but it increases their respect towards us when we are honest to admit our failures. Transparency gives our children the freedom to express their thoughts and feelings when they see any inconsistency in us.

Children need the stability that comes from a home founded on biblical truth that is exemplified in word, attitude and deed. Although we will never be perfect parents, we have a perfect heavenly Father who teaches, guides, and trains us along the way.

Have a Blessed Easter!!!

Yours in Christ's service,

John Oommen Achen

Rev. John Oommen & family will be leaving to India on **April 24**, **2017** by **Gulf Air GF 6636** (operated by American Airlines) departing from LAX at 7.40 pm.



BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

| 4/1 | Elvis John May | God bless you with |
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| 1/1 | I. D. D. | 4/15 Vilia Vargis |

1/1 Janey Daniel 4/15 Vilja Vargis
1/3 Raban Vargis
4/16 Ginu Samuel

4/3 Baban Vargis 4/16 Ginu Samuel

4/4 Susan O. Mathew Mort/16 Kayla Celine John

4/4 Bincy M. Zachariah bu4/18 Pradip Jacob Daniel

4/4 Benjamin L. Varghese 4/18 Sherin Philip

4/5 Joseph Mathew 4/18 Liane Mathew

4/7 Binu Johny 4/19 Aleena Samuel

4/9 Vinay Jacob John 4/21 Aaron Anil

4/9 Aaron M. George 4/24 Gigy Abraham

4/9 Olivia Reba Cherian 4/25 Neethy Eapen

4/10 Jane Jacob 4/26 Joel Andrew Rejive

4/10 Samuel P. Thomas 4/26 Koshy V. Thomas

4/10 Sara Molly Easaw / 4/28 Marykutty Philip

4/11 Daniel Samuel // / 4/29 Lance Raju

4/14 Dr. Bindu A. Cherian 4/29 Miriam D John

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

4/3 V Z Chandapillai and Mary Chandapillai

4/7 James Mathew and Jonah Austria

/8 Jacob A. Mathew and Alice Mathew

4/10 Daniel Samuel and Lizy Samuel

4/11 Jijo Varghese and Seena Varghese

4/11 Jonas George Chacko and Ancy George

4/18 Ringu Abraham and Jeena Elizabeth Jose

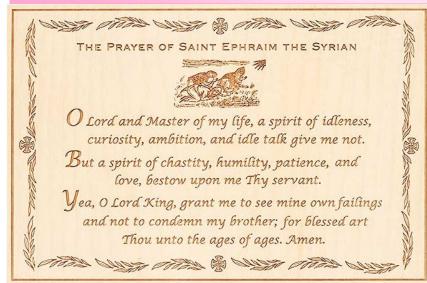
4/19 MN Kuruvilla Abraham and Molly Abraham

4/30 John Mathew and Sosamma John

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The General body of the Los Angeles Mar Thoma Church held on April 2nd, 2017 decided to collect \$ 100/- from each family to cover the lunches for the year 2017.

Please remit this amount to the Trustees at the earliest.





World Day of Prayer with Ms. Caroline Caspe @ MTCLA on March 4th, 2017

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NEWSLETTER OF THE MAR THOMA CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES

| WORSHIP SCHEDULE & LECTIONARY | | | | | |
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| Apr | Time | Service | Lessons | Epistle/ Gospel | Theme |
| 2 | 10:30am | Holy Qurbana MALAYALAM | Job 42: 10-17 Phil. 2: 5-11 | Eph. 2: 1-10 Mark. 10:46-52 | The Restoring Jesus |
| 9 | 10:30am | Holy Qurbana ENGLISH | Zech. 9: 1-12 Heb. 5: 1-10 | Col. 1: 15-23 Mark. 11: 1-11 | Hosanna -Christ the Lord of Peace |
| 16 | 9:30am | Holy Qurbana MALAYALAM | Isa 60: 1-22 1 Cor. 15:42-58 | 1 Cor 15:20-28 Luke 24: 1-12 | Resurrection: Celebration of New Life in Christ |
| 23 | 10:30am | Holy Qurbana ENGLISH | Gen. 3:13-17 Col. 3:1-11 | Col. 1:15-23 John.20:24-29 | Christ, Lord And God to us |
| 30 | 10:30am | Divine Service MALAYALAM | Gen. 18: 1-10 Rom. 12: 9-16 | Heb. 13:1-8 John 21: 1-14 | Imitation to Christ's Hospitality |

2017 PASSION WEEK WORSHIP

| Date & Time | Event | Lessons | Epistle / Gospel |
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| Monday, Apr 10 | Sandhya | Isa. 63: 7-19 | Matt. 22:15-23 |
| 7:00 pm | Namaskaram | Heb. 2: 1-18 | |
| Tuesday, Apr 11 | Sandhya | Num. 21: 1-16 | Matt 24: 1-28 |
| 7:00 pm | Namaskaram | Eph. 2: 1– 10 | |
| Wednesday, | Sandhya | Lev. 16: 1-28 | John 6: 60-70 |
| Apr 12 at 7:00 pm | Namaskaram | 1 Jn. 4: 7-20 | |
| Maundy Thursday , Apr 13 7:00 pm | Holy Qurbana Malayalam | Gen 22: 1-14 Heb. 5: 1-14 | 1 Cor. 11: 23-34 Matt. 26: 31-46 |
| Good Friday, | FIRST | Isa. 53: 1-12 | Matt. 26: 47-75 |
| Apr 14 at 9:30 am | Service | 1 Pet. 1: 1-25 | |
| CROSS: | SECOND | Zech. 13: 1-9 | Matt. 27: 1-44 |
| SELF GIVING | Service | Gal. 3: 1-22 | |
| LOVE OF CHRIST | THIRD Service | Num. 21: 1-9 Heb. 3: 1-19 | Matt. 27: 45-56 |