



THE MAR THOMA CHURCH, ABU DHABI

PARISH NEWSLETTER - NOVEMBER 2017

"Celebrate the festival of harvest with the first fruits of the crops you sow in your field"

- Exodus 23:16

Harvest Festival 2017



"Remembering God's Goodness"

PRAY....

PREPARE....

PARTICIPATE.....

NOVEMBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

November Highlights

- 17-Nov HARVEST FESTIVAL
- 24-Nov Sunday School Samajam Annual Exam (12:30 P.M – 3:00 P.M)

Parish Theme for the year 2017-18:

Parish a space for refocusing our purpose and reaching our potential (Witness & Progress)

HOLY QURBANA (Malayalam)

17-November Malayalam Service @ 8 A.M (Harvest Festival) MTC, Musaffah
All Fridays at 9:30 A.M MTC, Musaffah

Every Sunday (except 2nd Sunday) at 8:00 P.M @ St. Andrews Church

DIVINE SERVICE (Malayalam)

24th November at 10:30 A.M MTC, Musaffah

HOLY QURBANA (English)

2nd Sunday at 8:00 P.M at St. Andrews Church

24th November at 7:30 A.M at MTC, Musaffah



MESSAGE FROM REV. DR. JACOB GEORGE



Dearly beloved in Christ,

Greetings to you from Kalahandi in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ! It gives me immense pleasure to write a few lines in the Parish newsletter of Abu Dhabi Mar Thoma Church.

The very essence of the Mar Thoma church is missionary in nature. The late Thomas Mar Athanasius Thirumeni had rightly pointed out, that there is no Mission greater or lesser than that of our Lord Jesus Christ. Mission is a privilege and also a responsibility of the faith community. Centred on the Word of God, we are to share the love of Jesus through our words and deeds since the same was transmitted to us by others. Therefore mission has to be a passion in our life, and we are obligated to respond to the needs of our dear brothers and sisters who have been entrusted to our care. Like St. Paul, let us "be obedient to the heavenly vision" (Acts 26:19).

The missionary zeal and endeavours of the Ranny-Nilackal Diocese is well known for the last three decades. The spiritual, educational, medical and social needs of the less privileged in the society are being addressed by the Diocese ever since its inception. Numerous mission stations are functioning in the Diocese within Kerala. The missionary fervour of our Diocese extended even outside the state, when we were given the opportunity to be God's channels of grace in the Kalahandi district of Odisha in the year 2000 by spearheading the work carried on by the great visionary Adv. P. A. Cyrus. From then on the mission in Kalahandi has been striving towards the overall development of the downtrodden people of this area. Looking back, we praise God for the mighty and wonderful works he has done in the lives of the people in Kalahandi over the past 17 years.

Abu Dhabi Mar Thoma Church has been called to be God's instrument to build up the Kingdom of God on earth. Your missionary zeal is already visible in the little lives in Nabrangpur through Utkal Mar Thoma Project. Let this fire keep on burning in your hearts and minds.

It was indeed a great privilege for me to be with you all in Abu Dhabi for the last one month as a representative from the Ranny-Nilackal Diocese for its resource collection. With wholehearted gratitude I remember your prayerful support in this regard and request you to carry on and complete the venture at the earliest. This year our Diocesan Sunday falls on 12th of November and let it be a time of thanksgiving; and a time to submit ourselves as a Diocese before God to seek His mercy and guidance.

You can lend your support to these Missions not only by your prayers and monetary help but also by spending some time with us. I urge you to take out some time from your busy schedules, to visit us. It may be for a day, a week, a month or even a year; according to what God wishes in your life. I truly believe and assure you that it would never be a loss but a life changing experience and will also be an encouragement to others.

"Truly I tell you, whenever you did this for one of the least important of these brothers of mine, you did it for me" (Mtt. 25:40).

Yours in Christ,

Jacob George Achen

Director, Kalahandi Mar Thoma Mission

Message from Vicars

“Take some of the first fruits of all that you produce from the soil of the land the Lord your God is giving you and put them in a basket.

Then go to the place the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his Name” (Deut: 26:2)

As you all know, we are eagerly looking forward to celebrate our harvest festival of this year. Again, this is the beautiful time of sharing, oneness and cooperation. Harvest festival binds us all together with the church. This is our opportunity to give thanks to the almighty God, who is a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path in every moment of our life. Let us all stand together holding our hands in prayer for the success of the Harvest festival. Come and be a part of this blessed event.

May the almighty God take into account all our humble and sincere offerings.

Yours in Christ Service,

Rev.Babu P.Kulathackal & Rev.Biju C.P



ABU DHABI MAR THOMA YUVAJANA SAKHYAM
INTER PRAYER GROUP
Volleyball Tournament 2017

Date: 24th November 2017, (Friday)
Time: 2.00 pm.onwards
Place: Al Farsan International Sports Resort, Khalifa City A. ABU DHABI

Convenor : Prince Varghese
055 938 4457

USHERS FOR THE MONTH

Date	Day	Prayer Group	Title	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
03-Nov	Fri	Sunday School	Sanctification of the Church Learning & Nurturing of the Faith and Practice	Prov 23:15-26	Heb 12:1-13	1 John 2:7-17	John 6:1-14
05-Nov	Sun	TCA1					
10-Nov	Fri	C1	Renewal of the Church	Mic 6:1-8	2 Cor 4:7-15	1Cor 12:12-20	Luke 10:1-9
12-Nov	Sun	Passport Rd. (Eng)					
17-Nov	Fri	B3	Annunciation to Zachariah	1Chr 24:1-19	Heb 5:1-10	2Cor 2:12-17	Luke 1:5-23
19-Nov	Sun	Muss4					
24-Nov	Fri (Eng)	B2	Annunciation to Virgin Mary	Zech 2:10-13	1 John 3:1-16	Eph 1:3-10	Luke 1:26-38
24-Nov	Fri (Mal. Ord)	B1					
26-Nov	Sun	Muss3					
01-Dec	Fri	A4	Beginning of 25 Days Lent; Visitation of Virgin Mary to Elizabeth	Gen 18:1-16	1 Pet 1:8-12	2 Cor 1:3-11	Luke 1:39-45
03-Dec	Sun	Muss2					

ORGANISATION PROGRAMS

Senior Citizen Fellowship

14-Nov	Tue	Senior Citizen's Fellowship meeting at the residence of Mr. K.C. Thomas
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Parish Mission

03-Nov	Fri	Fasting Prayer Cell Carmel Hall Mussaffah @ 7:45 A.M
10-Nov	Fri	Devotional Meeting in Abu Dhabi (7:30 P.M) & Mussaffah (6:30 P.M)
24-Nov	Fri	Joint Praise & Worship Meeting at Ebenezer Hall @ 7:00 P.M

Yuvajana Sakhyam

03-Nov	Fri	Sakha Meeting @ 8 A.M
10-Nov		
17- Nov	Fri	Harvest Festival – Sakhyam Thattukada
24- Nov	Fri	Sakha Meeting @ 8 A.M
		Inter Prayer Group Volleyball Tournament @ 2 P.M
28- Nov	Tue	Cottage Prayer at Ebenezer Hall @ 8 P.M

Youth Forum

04-Nov	Sat	Youth Forum Chain Prayer
17-Nov	Fri	Youth Forum Cottage Prayer @ 5:00 PM. To be announced in Church
25-Nov	Sat	Youth Forum Cottage Prayer @ 7:00 PM. To be announced in Church

Sevika Sankham

4th,11th,18th & 25th Nov	Sat	Abu Dhabi Sakha Meeting at St. Andrews Centre @ 6:00 P.M
6th,13th & 20th	Mon	Mussaffah Sakha Meeting at member's residence @ 9:30 A.M
25-Nov	Sat	Baniyas Sakha Meeting at member's residence @ 5:30 P.M

Sunday School

03-Nov	Fri	Regular classes at 7:30 A.M, World Sunday School Day (Ushers of Holy Communion Service)
10-Nov	Fri	Regular Sunday School Class at 7:30 A.M
17-Nov	Fri	No Sunday School Classes (HARVEST FESTIVAL)
24-Nov	Sat	Sunday School Samajam Annual Exam – 12.30 P.M – 3 P.M

CCC

04-Nov	Sat	CCC Meeting
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Parish Day – Inauguration by Rt. Rev. Dr. Geevarghese Mar Theodosius Episcopa



First Sale of Harvest Festival Entry & Food Coupon



First Holy Communion Service



Family Conference



Tribute to Fanny Crosby by the Junior Parish Choir and Youth Forum



Senior Citizens Fellowship is publishing an E-Souvenir Inviting articles / Write - up from Senior Citizens (Age 55 and above) Send entries latest by 17th November 2017 to seniorcitizensfellowship@gmail.com For more details Contact SCF Secretary: 050-4411726

Jeevamrutham Bible Correspondence Golden opportunity for Bible Study Freely at our own pace and convenience Contact : Course Coordinator: 050-4411726 Email : jeevamruthamcc@gmail.com

Sevika Sangham

Talent search



UAE Center Sevika Sangham Bible Quiz winners



Yuvajana Sakhyam

Inter Prayer group Bible Quiz winners
Zayani prayer group



Prathibha Sangamam overall champions
Mussaffah 4 & TCA1 prayer groups



Congratulations to our Sunday School Team for winning overall 3rd place in Explorer 2017 -UAE Center Inter Church Sunday School Competition



NEW MEMBERS



Name: Mr. Phiji Jacob Philip
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Prayer Group: Beda Zayed



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Prayer Group: Muroor



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Prayer Group: Khalifa City



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Prayer Group: A4



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Prayer Group: Baniyas



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Prayer Group: A4



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Prayer Group: Baniyas



Name : Mr. Rexey Abraham Mathew
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Home Parish: Nazareth Mar Thoma Church, Ettichuvadu, Ranny
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Prayer Group: Mussafah



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Prayer Group: B2

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