



THE MAR THOMA CHURCH, ABU DHABI

PARISH NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2019

LOVE

This is love; not that we loved God,
but that he loved us and sent his Son
as an atoning sacrifice for our sins

1 John 4:10



MARCH

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March Highlights

- 03rd Sun : Great Lent Begins
- 16th & 30th Sat : Youth Forum
Cottage Prayer Meeting
- 12th Tue : Senior Citizens Fellowship Meeting
- 23rd Sat : CCC Monthly Meeting
- 27th Wed : Sakhyam Cottage Prayer Meeting
- 27th Wed : Mid- Lent
- 28th Thu : Joint Prayer Meeting,
(All 31 Prayer Groups)
- 29th Fri : VBS Starts
- 29th Fri : Parish Mission Joint Praise &
Worship with Organizations

Parish Theme for the year 2018 -19



HOLY QURBANA (Malayalam)

Every Friday (Except 3rd Friday) : 9:30 am at MTC,
Mussafah

Every Sunday (Except 2nd Sunday) : 8:00 pm
at St. Andrews Church

HOLY QURBANA (English)

10th Mar Sunday @ 8:00 pm at St.Andrews Church

15th Mar Friday @ 7:30 am at MTC,Mussafah

Divine Service (Malayalam)

15th Mar Friday @ 10:30am at MTC, Mussafah



Message from the Vicar...

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

Our church is entering into an important liturgical season this month. The Great Lent (ValiyaNombu) begins on 3rd March. It will culminate with Easter. Observing the Lent means we are in a process of transformation through disciplining ourselves in both physical and spiritual way. To achieve this transformation believers may fast, say timely prayers, abstain from the worldly pleasures, avoid certain kind of foods, set apart an amount from their earnings to support the needy, repentance of sins and giving up certain luxuries as a form of penance. In short Lent denotes a change in the inner being of a believer.

Lent is a season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered to us by the Church: through prayer, giving and fasting. At the base of everything is the word of God, which during this season we are invited to hear and ponder more deeply. Let us consider the parable of the rich man and Lazarus (Lk 16:19-31). We find an inspiration in this meaningful story, for it provides a key to understanding what we need to do in order to attain true happiness and eternal life.

Great Lent is the sacred time to remember and thank God for His son Jesus Christ who carried the burden of sin and suffering.

As a parish let's prepare for the Lent with prayers, reading of the scripture and sharing the love to the people around.

This Lent, let us prepare ourselves to pray ... a little bit more, to give ... a little bit more, and to hear ... a little bit more, to the voice of those who cry out and let these cries, trouble our conscience and make us a Christian with a difference.

I take this opportunity to sincerely thank the office bearers and executive committee of 2018 -19 for their sacrificial work and service. May the Lord Almighty bless them for their efforts. I welcome the 2019 – 20 office bearers. Let us work together for the glory of the God.

May the almighty God bless you all.

With Love and Prayer

Kulathackalachen



THANKS NOTE FROM TRUSTEE - FINANCE

Greetings in Jesus Name.

Through the mercies of God Almighty, I take this opportunity to thank our Heavenly Father for allowing me to serve our parish as a Trustee- Finance for the year 2018-19. It was a great pleasure and experience in my life, and I strongly believe that it wouldn't be possible without the support of each and every member of our parish.

We cannot claim to do all things with perfection, but with the grace of God all this are possible and we always tried to maintain the harmony of our parish in all possible means.

I thankfully remember my fellow office bearers, Kaisthana Samithy members and the Vicars for all the love, support and guidance provided for all the activities and programs of the Parish conducted during this period.

There are not enough words to express my sincere gratitude to all the organizations, prayer groups and the leaders for the timeless efforts and prayerful support, and we could see that team work makes a difference at every step when we execute our Parish programs.

At the most I like to extended my heart full thanks to my loving, caring members of our parish who are always encouraging and strengthening us in the midst of all the difficulties and uncertainties.

I feel blessed to be a part of such a great community. God Bless You All

Yours sincerely,

Biju. P John,
Trustee - Finance.



THANKS NOTE FROM TRUSTEE - ACCOUNTS

Dear Beloved Parish Members,
Greetings to you all in the precious name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ,

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to all of you who have been supportive and encouraging us during the financial year 2018-19. Our Parish is blessed with members of various talents and in their midst, to represent the Church as Trustee - Accounts was indeed a great honor.

The strength of a community lies in the active participation and fellowship of its members. I appreciate the participation of all members in various events of the Church from time to time. Special mention to each one of you for the Diocesan contribution and Evangelist support which reflected your spirit of giving. The Harvest festival brought all of us together, united to work for a common cause and the desire to ensure that the money we raise can be used for the underprivileged and needy. The First Holy Communion Service, the Festival of Christmas and New Year / Watch night services were the time for all our members to acknowledge the Lords Glory.

I thank the Vicars, fellow office bearers and Kaisthana Samithy members who have been a constant source of strength at every moment. I express my sincere thanks to each member of the church who have been part of this journey with the Lord and may the Lord give each one of us Light and wisdom.

P.G. Sajimon,
Trustee-Accounts

USHERS FOR THE MONTH

Date	Day	Prayer Group	Title	Lesson 1	Lesson 2	Epistle	Gospel
01-Mar	Fri	C3	Perthutho Beginning of Great Lent - Lent: Time of Redemption	Isa 58:1-14	Rom 2:1-10	2Cor 5:16-21	John 2:1-11
03-Mar	Sun	TCA1					
08-Mar	Fri	C2	Christ's Presence with the outcast	Esth 4:1-17	Acts 15:6-21	Rom 15:7-13	Mark 1:40-45
10-Mar	Sun (Eng)	Passport Road					
15-Mar	Fri (Eng)	C1	Release from the Burden of Sin	2Sam 12:1-14	Acts 8:9-17	Gal 3:10-14	Mark 2:1-12
15-Mar	Fri (Mal.Ordinary)	Sunday School					
17-Mar	Sun	Mussafah 4					
22-Mar	Fri	Central Hospital					
24-Mar	Sun	Mussafah 3	Faith expression of the Marginalised-	Isa 45:1-8	Acts 10:24-33	1Cor 1:20-25	Matt 15:21-28
29-Mar	Fri	Beda Zayed	Transforming the oppressive	Nah 1:1-5	Acts 16:25-34	Acts 4:32-37	Luke 13:10-17
31-Mar	Sun	Mussafah 2					
05-Apr	Fri	B3					
07-Apr	Sun	Mussafah 1	Cross - New Model for Discipleship	Gen 26: 12 -33	2 Cor 11 :20 -31	2Cor 1 :3 -11	Mark 10 : 46 -52

ORGANIZATIONS PROGRAMS

Senior Citizen's Fellowship

12th March	Tue	Senior Citizen's Fellowship meeting at member's Residence @ 8:00 pm
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Parish Mission

01st , 08th, 22nd & 29th March	Fri	Fasting Prayer Cell @ 7:45 am at Carmel Hall, Mussafah
01st March	Fri	Joint Devotional Meeting & General Body Meeting @ 7:00 pm @ Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah
08th March	Fri	Joint Meeting - Bible Class @ 7:00 pm at Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah
15th March	Fri	Devotional Meeting @ 7:00 pm at Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah Devotional Meeting @ 7:30 pm at St. Andrews Upper Hall, Abu Dhabi
22nd March	Fri	Joint Praise & Worship @ 7:00 pm at Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah
29th March	Fri	Joint Praise & Worship with Organizations @ 7:00 pm at Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah

Yuvajana Sakhyam

01st March	Fri	General Body Meeting @ 1:00 pm at Ebenezer Hall, Mussafah
8th & 22nd & 29th March	Fri	Sakha Meeting at Bethel Hall, Mussafah @ 8:00 am
08th March	Fri	Chess Forum, Toddlers, Readers Forum and Art Lovers Forum @ 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm at Sakhyam Library
22nd March	Fri	Sakhyam Picnic @ 12:30 pm
27th March	Wed	Cottage Prayer @ 8:00 pm at Bethel Hall, Mussafah

Sevika Sangham

02nd, 09th, 16th, 23rd & 30th March	Sat	Abu Dhabi Sakha meeting at St. Andrews Lower Hall @ 6:00 pm
23rd March	Sat	Baniyas Sakha Meeting at Member's Residence @ 5:00 pm

Sunday School

01st, 08th & 22nd March	Fri	Regular Classes @ 7:30 am at Mussafah
15th March	Fri	Regular Classes @ 7:30 am at Mussafah
29th March	Fri	VBS at Mussafah

Youth Forum

16th March	Sat	Cottage Prayer Meeting & General Body @ 7:30 pm at the residence of Mr. Nichel John
30th March	Sat	Cottage Prayer @ 7:30 pm the residence of Lins Varughese

CCC

23rd March	Sat	Monthly Meeting @ 10:00 am at St. Andrews Lower Hall, Abu Dhabi
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GMTYC Theme Inauguration



Motivational Class and Special Prayers for 10th & 12 Board Students by Rev. Fr. Dr. Jijan Abraham



Seminar on Organ Donation & Transplantation conducted by SKMC- organized by CCC



Green Initiative at our Church Premises



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VBS - 2019

Theme: God's Masterpiece (Eph:2:10)

Leader: Rev. Sajesh Mathews
(Dubai-Sharjah Mar Thoma Youth Chaplain)

Date: 29th Mar - 5th April 2019

Time: 4:00PM to 7:00PM

Venue: The Mar Thoma Church, Mussafah

*Teachers and volunteers are required, contact
Sunday School Office Bearers*



ADMTC ANNUAL JOINT PRAYER MEETING 2018-19

Date: 28th March 2019, Thursday

Location: Mussafah Church

**Requesting the prayerful participation &
presence of all 31 Prayer Groups**

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Name : ALVIN KOSHY OOMMEN
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Name : GIJO KURUVILLA PHILIP
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Name : JACOB PHILIP THAYIL
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Name : RIJU MATHEW
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Home Parish : Mar Thoma Valiyapally, Pandanad



Name : SWEETY JACOB JOHN
Roll No. : J-443 , Prayer Group : Muss 4
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Name : SUBIN BABY
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Home Parish : Immanuel M.T.C; Kadampanad



Name : JERIN GEORGE
Roll No. : G-241 , Prayer Group : Khalifa Street
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Home Parish : Ayroor Chayal M T C.

ADMTC wholeheartedly welcomes all the new members to our Parish Family.
Please keep in touch with our Vicars and Prayer group representatives

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