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# Parish Bulletin

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It wasn't the nails that kept Jesus on the cross; it was His



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### From the Vicar's Desk



#### Dearly Beloved in Christ,

The church is going through the observance of 50 days of Lent. The Eastern Church organizes Lent as days of contemplation of the Lord's 40-day fast and subsequent 10-day Passion. Jesus was fully aware of the time of His suffering and death on the cross. It was at Cesarea Philippi that he began to tell his disciples about his coming death. He must go to Jerusalem, he said, and suffer. Peter was filled with consternation, and began to protest. "Never can such a thing happen!" Jesus said: "Get thee behind me, Satan. You are full of the thoughts of men. You do not understand the ways of God." After the marvelous experience on the Mount of Transfiguration, he repeated this dismal prophecy. "I am going to Jerusalem, and there they are going to kill me." While trayeling through Galilee he stopped them one day by the road and said, "Let these words sink into your hearts: I am going to Jerusalem, and there I am going to die." A little later, in Perea, with his face steadfastly set toward Jerusalem, he painted the picture in more detail. He had now come close enough to the cross to see how the tragedy was going to end. " They are going to mack me, and spit upon me, and scourge me, and then they will kill me." When James and John wished to sit on the highest thrones of his kingdom, his reply was, "Are you able to drink the cup that I shall drink of, and be baptized with the baptism which I shall be baptized with?". This Lent period is a time for a journey to the foot of the cross to see the passion and the value Christ spared for us. All these portions clearly picture Jesus' plan for the fulfillment of His mission on the earth to redeem the fallen human. Let's pray God Almighty enlightens us by receiving the meaning of His death on the cross for many.

"Lent is a time of self-examination and repentance as well it is the time to focus on the suffering and death of Jesus as a way to connect with the suffering of the world and to commit to working for Justice and Peace. It is the time to focus on the grace and the promise of new life through the resurrection of Jesus" these are the words of the famous German theologian Jorgan Mottman. He is trying to say three things about lent.

- 1. This is a time for introspection and repentance.
- 2. It is a time of focus and concentration on the suffering and death of the Lord.
- 3. It is a time to identify with the world's tolerance and dedication to justice and peace.

Another financial year is drawing to a close and thereby, I would like to request all the parishioners to remit all dues. This year mid lent falls on the 15th of this month. We have arranged lent Sandhya Namaskaram as cottage prayers. Active participation by all the church members is of prime importance.

May the Lord bless us all. Yours in Christ, Shibu Achen

	BIRTHDAY WISHES				
DATE	NAME	PRAYER CELL	MEM #		
2-Mar	Mr.Aaron Alex Abraham	Zion	80		
4-Mar	Mr.Juju Koshy Varghese Gilead		271		
4-Mar	Mrs.Shani Thomas	Emmanuel	72		
6-Mar	Mr.Nishant Philip Alex	Moria	109		
8-Mar	Master.Abraham Philip	Gilead	281		
9-Mar	Miss.Reann Varghese Mathew	Gloria	309		
9-Mar	Mrs.Nigy Shelly Erattolil	St.Thomas	215		
10-Mar	Miss.Teena K. Thomas	Kerith	189		
12-Mar	Mrs.Litha Sara Mathew	Sehion	193		
12-Mar	Mr.Jen Abraham	Gloria	300		
13-Mar	Miss.Naomi Grace Shelly	St.Thomas	215		
13-Mar	Mrs.Neethu John	Kerith	224		
14-Mar	Mr.Joseph C K	Gilead	96		
14-Mar	Mrs.Binu Varughese	St. Luke	42		
16-Mar	Miss.Sarah Elizabeth Santosh	Gloria	311		
16-Mar	Master.Chris Easow Thomas	Sehion	104		
16-Mar	Mrs.Anna Mathew	Emmanuel	258		
17-Mar	Miss.Aleena Grace Anu	Kerith	256		
17-Mar	Mr.Gigi George	Sehion	46		
18-Mar	Mrs.Jinu Anu	Kerith	256		
18-Mar	Adv.Reji Abraham	Emmanuel	103		
19-Mar	Miss.Nynika Thankam Alex	Moria	109		
19-Mar	Miss.Rayaha Rachel Tonney	Zion	254		
20-Mar	Mr.Alex Cherian	Sehion	120		
20-Mar	Mr.Alby	Zion	291		
20-Mar	Miss.Eugena Elsa Jeev	Gloria	295		
22-Mar	Mrs.Rajamma Varghese	Gilead	28		
, 22-Mar	Mrs.Sheeba John	Gloria	255		
23-Mar	Mr.Jacob Thomas	Gilead	130		
25-Mar	Mr.Cherian Abraham	St. Thomas	207		
25-Mar	Mr.Rony Mathew Roy	Emmanuel	204		
25-Mar	Miss.Siona Ann Saibu	Sehion	193		
26-Mar	Mrs.Jinu Elsa Jacob	Gloria	299		
29-Mar	Mr.Prasanth Mathews George St. Thomas		44		
30-Mar	Mr.Arun Alex Chacko St. Thomas		273		
31-Mar	Miss.Charis Sara Shibu	St. Thomas	1		
31-Mar	Miss.Kris Ann Shelly	St.Thomas	215		
31-Mar	Mrs.Rachel Koshy	St. Thomas	108		
31-Mar	Mrs.Neethu Anna Joy	Jerusalem	157		

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WEDDING ANNIVERSARY					
DATE	NAME	PRAYER CELL	MEM #		
1-Mar	Mr. Manoj Mathew Thomas, Mrs. Bindhu Mathew	Gilead	102		
3-Mar	Mr. Tony Joe Raj Nelson, Mrs. Sheena Mary Thomas	St. Luke	124		
17-Mar	Mr. Rethu Alex Mathew, Mrs. Lincy Mariyam Daniel	Sehion	33		
31-Mar	Mr. Joji Mathew, Mrs. Sheeja K Eapen	Kerith	153		

Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Wishes to all celebrating this month.

Thanksgiving Services will be held during Holy Communion Services.

## <u>Lent Cottage Prayer Schedule 2023</u> Sandhya Namaskaram

#### Time - 07.30 P.M.

Date	Name	Prayer Group			
Wednesday, 15th March	Mr. Vinoy Mathew Thomas	Moria			
Thursday, 16 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Thomas K. K.	Emmanuel			
Friday, 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Dr. Pramod John	Gilead			
Sunday, 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Shelly Mathew	St. Thomas			
Monday, 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Thomas Thottumkal,	<u>Sehion</u>			
Tuesday, 21st March	Mr. Mathew Mathews John	Gloria			
Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Mr. Shibu Abraham	Jerusalem <b>J</b> erusalem			
Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Mr. Vibin John	Carmel			
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Abu Sam	Sehion			
Sunday, 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. V.V. George	Emmanuel			
Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Jay Jahn	Gloria			
Tuesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Sam P. Titus	Zion			
Wednesday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Jobin K. Varghese	<b>Kerith</b>			
Thursday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr. Jose Samuel	St. Luke			
Friday, 31st March	Parsonage				
Please attend prayerfully					

# Glimpses



Marubhoomiyile Maramon Combined Holy Communion Service



Farewell Mr. Babu Pothen, Kerith PG.

	WORSHIP SCHEDULE & LECTIONARY							
Date	Time	Worship	Venue	Theme	Lessons	Epistle-Gospel	Assisted by	
03 - Fri	7:00 am	Holy Communion	Hall of Faith, NECK		Isa 33:13-24	Col 2:8-15	Common	
04 - Sat	7:00 pm	Holy Communion	Hall of Peace, NECK	Jesus Christ who Forgives Sins	Heb 9:11-20	St.Mark 2:1-12	Common	
10 - Fri	7:00 am	Holy Communion	Hall of Faith, NECK		Isa 45:1-8	Gal 3:23-29	Common	
11 - Sat	7:00 pm	Holy Communion	Hall of Peace, NECK	Jesus Christ who Includes All	Acts 10:34-43	St.Matt 15:21-28	Common	
17 - Fri	7:00 am	Holy Communion	Hall of Faith, NECK		Exad 3:1-10	Rom 3:23-31	Common	
18 - Sat	7:00 pm	Holy Communion	Hall of Peace, NECK	Jesus Christ who Redeems	1Pet 1:18-25	St.Luke 13:10-17	Common	
24 - Fri	7:00 am	Holy Communion	Hall of Faith, NECK	Jesus Christ who Leads to	Ezek 37:1-14	Cal 3:1-11	Common	
25 - Sat	7:00 pm	Holy Communion	Hall of Peace, NECK	New Vision	Phil 3:7-16	St.Mark 10:46-52	Common	
31 - Fri	7:00 am	Holy Communion	Hall of Faith, NECK	Jesus entry into Jerusalem	Zech 9:1-12 Heb 5:5-10	Col 1:15-23 St.Matt 21:1-17	Common	

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