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## **August 2018**



*For freedom,  
Christ  
has set us free,  
stand firm  
therefore and,  
do not submit  
again to a  
yoke of  
slavery.  
Gal 5:1*

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## *From the Vicar's Desk*



Dearly Beloved in Christ,

A Christian marriage between a man and a woman is a sacred covenant that they make before the Lord (Malachi 2:14ff) and before the community of believers they belong to. They are bound by the vows that they make in loving union. The Bible compares this to the covenant that God made with His people and the relationship that Christ as the 'husband' of the Church, the 'bride' (Ephesians 5:22ff). Therefore, such a covenant is for a life-time. Anybody treating it lightly will invite the retribution of the Lord. A covenant is valid when it is honoured before the Lord, cherished in private, and celebrated before public. Marriage as a covenant deals with people, not things. Contracts are made for a limited period of time; covenants are forever. Contracts can be broken resulting in material losses; covenants broken will leave a train of broken hearts. Contracts belong to the market place; covenants are made in sacred spaces and celebrated till the end of life. Contracts are protected by the state; covenants are watched by God. Therefore, marriage is to be taken seriously.

India enters into a new year of independence this month. The question that looms on our minds is India really independent today? India is a Pluralistic society with rich culture and heritage. The multifarious culture, religion, language, customs, etc is a blessing for all of us. This diversity ought to be adored and appreciated by all. Instead of appreciating the differences, in each religion, language and culture, the human society had developed fanaticism and attitude of fundamentalism which had resulted in COMMUNALISM. Everyone started looking at their own religion, culture and language superior to others which had dissected and divided our society thus disturbing the peace and harmony of the created order. As we celebrate the 71st Independence day let us recommit, reorient and relook into ourselves and make a pledge that we all would be channels of peace and harmony in our own situations. Let us be in dependent on Christ to be independent in this world.

The month of August is important for the church as it is believed that for the first time qurbana was celebrated in the local language of the people i.e malayalam. The church observes the 15 day lent from August 1st -15th. On the occasion of 15 days Lent where we remember the life and dedication of Mary, mother of Jesus, Let us too "Hark about the amazing Grace of God " and hum the "Melody of a new dream ,a new vision ,a new beginning ". Mary calls us to be foolish enough to believe that the grace of God is sufficient for us to dream to have a vision. May this Lent help us introspect our life of discipleship and may we be foolish enough to believe that the existing reality of the present world is not the final truth. There is hope and we need to strive forth world that is filled with justice, mercy and peace that our Lord preached and announced its arrival by calling it the Kingdom of God.

As we enter into the month of august many who had gone for vacations have returned back on behalf of the parish i welcome you and also appreciate your prayerful participation in the activities of the parish. This month Rev. Shinu Baby who is the Bishop Secretary to the Diocesan Episcopa would be visiting our parish for seeking the support and help for the diocesan development activities and the mission work under the aegis of the diocese lets extend our helping hands for the work of the kingdom of God.

**WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY ,ONAM & MALAYALAM NEW YEAR .**

Rev. Prince Korah.

Vicar

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## **HARVEST FESTIVAL 2018**

The Harvest Festival is scheduled for Thursday 22nd November 2018 from 7.30am to 3.30pm at NECK Compound. The House visits and Coupon Distribution are in progress. Please participate wholeheartedly by collecting coupon books as your financial position allows. Your kind cooperation and prayers are solicited.

## **SUPPORT FOR THE DIOCESAN MISSION**

Chennai-Bangalore Diocese is a missionary diocese reaching out to the unreached with mission activities in the state of Tamil Nad, Karnataka, Andhra Pradesh, Telengana and Union Territories of Andaman & Nicobar Islands and Pondicherry.

Activities:-

- Mission Evangelistic works,
- Balawadies, Hostels, Tailoring Institutes,
- Self Employment Schemes, participating in development projects,
- Hospital Guidance and Counselling Centre at Vellore and Manipal,
- HIV / AIDS patients Rehabilitation Centre,
- Anpin Karam – Kuruvakkalam which caters around 350 patients,
- Students Missions.

Diocese needs our sincere prayers and financial support for the ministry.

Rev. Shinu Baby Achen will be visiting our parish from 30<sup>th</sup> August to 13<sup>th</sup> September 2018.

## **STUDENTS DEDICATION & THANKSGIVING DAY**

Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018 at 7.00am @ Hall of Faith.

Saturday, 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018 at 7.00pm @ Hall of Peace.

It will be held during the Holy Qurbana Service.

All students and teachers are requested to attend the service and offer their special support for the education of the needy and poor students.

## **NEWLY WEDS - CONGRATULATIONS**

Mr. Jijo Jacob Mathew (s/o Mr & Mrs K V Mathew, Moria PG) & Mrs Sneha George who entered into the Holy Matrimony on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

Mr. Jojo Varghese (s/o Mr & Mrs P. G. Varghese, Emmanuel PG) & Mrs Jyothy Mary Kurian who entered into the Holy Matrimony on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2018.

## PRAYER MEETINGS

### Area Prayer Meetings

August 03<sup>rd</sup> Friday @ Res of Mr. Shibu Abraham, Jerusalem, Sinai, St.Andrew,  
St.Luke & Trinity P.G, Salmiya @ 7.30pm.

August 10<sup>th</sup> Friday @ Res of Mr. John Mathew, Carmel & St. Pauls P.G,  
Salmiya @7.30pm

August 17<sup>th</sup> Friday @ Res of Mr. Liju Samuel ,Gilead P.G, Sharq, @ 6.30pm

### Joint Prayer Meeting

August 31<sup>st</sup> Friday @ Church and Parish Hall, NECK @ 7.30pm .

All Prayer Groups, led by Edavaka Mission.

### Edavaka Mission Cottage Prayer Meetings

August 09<sup>th</sup> Thursday @ Res. of Mr. Manu Easow, Nazareth P.G, Khaithan  
@ 7.30pm.

## NEW BORN BABY - CONGRATULATIONS

Mr. Rinson T.George & Mrs. Litty Elma Varghese ,Emmanuel P.G blessed with a baby Boy.

Mr. Ciril B. Mathew & Mrs. Ciji Thomas , Emmanuel P.G blessed with a baby Boy.

Mr. Jobin K. Varghese & Mrs. Anju Jobin , Kerith P.G blessed with a baby Boy.

Mr. Jeffrin Sam Idiculla & Mrs. Minu Varghese, Gloria P.G blessed with a baby Boy.

*May God Bless the new born babies and their families.*

## CONDOLENCE

- Very. Rev. A.C.Kurian (80 yrs), Arapurayil House, Bethel Junction, Varicaud, Thiruvalla. Our former Vicar of Kuwait Mar Thoma Church (1973-1976).
- Mr. Y. Thomas (74 yrs),Chelipallil, Muthukulam, Alapuzha Father of Mr. Thomas John(Biju), St. Pauls P.G, Salmiya.
- Mr. M.M Thomas (88 yrs),Parekadavil, Vanchithodu, Pakkil, Kottayam, Father of Dr. Elizabeth Thomas, Jerusalem P.G, Salmiya.
- Mr. K.V.Chерian (85 yrs), Pandanpadavil Medayil, Theepany, Thiruvalla, Father of Mrs. Mary Zachariah, Carmel P.G. Salmiya.



| BIRTHDAYS |         |                               |          |                            |
|-----------|---------|-------------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| DOB       | FAM No. | FAMILY MEMBER                 | TEL NO.  | PG                         |
| 01-Aug    | 112     | Mrs.Lincy Jiby                | 22639598 | Moria - Hawally            |
| 02-Aug    | 017     | Mr.Kohil Kadakampally         | 69973536 | St Luke - Salmiya          |
| 04-Aug    | 046     | Miss.Mahima Sharon Gigi       | 25614673 | St Thomas - Salmiya        |
| 04-Aug    | 206     | Mrs.Tinu K. Abraham           | 99046053 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 06-Aug    | 190     | Mr.Sam Zachariyah             | 99951649 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 07-Aug    | 093     | Master.Jeremiah Easow Manu    | 97373217 | Nazareth - Khaithan        |
| 08-Aug    | 090     | Mr.John Mathew                | 66599247 | St Pauls - Salmiya         |
| 09-Aug    | 048     | Master.Aaron George           | 96996599 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya       |
| 09-Aug    | 039     | Master.Ebin Shibu Nanthilathu | 25611275 | Jerusalem - Salmiya        |
| 10-Aug    | 025     | Mr.Mathew M Koshy             | 99544640 | Trinity - Salmiya          |
| 10-Aug    | 186     | Mr.Thomas Mathew              | 97785637 | Gloria - Riggae            |
| 10-Aug    | 034     | Mr.Melvin Philip              | 22437203 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 11-Aug    | 135     | Mr.Deepu Itty Ipe Kurian      | 66361854 | Sehion - Salmiya           |
| 14-Aug    | 095     | Miss.Abiya Grace Robi         | 65577824 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya       |
| 14-Aug    | 243     | Mrs.Milu Paul                 | 66371333 | St Pauls - Salmiya         |
| 15-Aug    | 136     | Mr.Roshan Idicukulla Cherian  | 55019818 | Moria - Hawally            |
| 16-Aug    | 040     | Miss.Jeena Philip             | 22467548 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 17-Aug    | 016     | Mrs.Annie Thomas Moolayil     | 25660159 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 17-Aug    | 217     | Dr.Daniel George              | 66519272 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya       |
| 17-Aug    | 070     | Miss.Riya Mariam Liju         | 66526273 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 18-Aug    | 070     | Mr.Liju Samuel                | 66526273 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 18-Aug    | 041     | Mr.Sam Abraham Eapen          | 66573858 | St Pauls - Salmiya         |
| 18-Aug    | 125     | Miss Danetta Buelin           | 67709417 | Kerith - Abbasiya          |
| 18-Aug    | 189     | Mr.Tittu K. Thomas            | 24341617 | Kerith - Abbasiya          |
| 19-Aug    | 080     | Dr Mrs.Susan Sheba Pothan     | 22494370 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 19-Aug    | 098     | Mr.Koshy Mathews              | 97274895 | St Thomas - Salmiya        |
| 21-Aug    | 100     | Mr.Benoy P George             | 60708924 | Kerith - Abbasiya          |
| 21-Aug    | 077     | Master.Albie James Jaison     | 67680111 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya       |
| 22-Aug    | 070     | Miss.Anetta Susan Liju        | 66526273 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 22-Aug    | 121     | Miss.Lyra Susan Joby          | 66301904 | Moria - Hawally            |
| 23-Aug    | 071     | Master.Noel Sam Libi          | 67720341 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 23-Aug    | 045     | Mrs.Biby Saji                 | 25659451 | Sehion - Salmiya           |
| 23-Aug    | 072     | Miss.Donia Elizabeth Thomas   | 24381514 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya       |
| 25-Aug    | 033     | Mr.Mani Philip Mathew         | 25611165 | Sehion - Salmiya           |
| 25-Aug    | 178     | Mr.Titus Thomas Valliazham    | 97289155 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya       |
| 26-Aug    | 111     | Master.Prince T Abraham       | 97858678 | Sehion - Salmiya           |
| 26-Aug    | 153     | Miss.Jerusha Elza Joji        | 65120417 | Kerith - Abbasiya          |
| 26-Aug    | 071     | Mr.Sam Manju John             | 67720341 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 26-Aug    | 019     | Dr.Jaya Daniel                | 25638613 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 26-Aug    | 036     | Miss.Marsha Zachariah         | 99583285 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 26-Aug    | 263     | Mr.Suby Mathew                | 51096434 | Moria - Hawally            |
| 26-Aug    | 070     | Mrs.Mincy John                | 66526273 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 26-Aug    | 080     | Master.Reuben Daniel Abraham  | 22494370 | Gilead - Sharq             |
| 28-Aug    | 166     | Mr.Sibi John                  | 97470521 | Zion - Abu Halifa/Fahaheel |
| 29-Aug    | 158     | Miss.Tanisha Anoj             | 55609710 | Moria - Hawally            |
| 29-Aug    | 030     | Master.Nathan James Cherian   | 25643817 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 29-Aug    | 235     | Mr.Thomas John                | 60738613 | St Pauls - Salmiya         |
| 29-Aug    | 206     | Mr.Mathew John                | 99046053 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 29-Aug    | 078     | Miss.Joanne Annette Jacob     | 25660971 | Moria - Hawally            |
| 30-Aug    | 189     | Mr.Thomas K. Thomas           | 99713516 | Kerith - Abbasiya          |
| 30-Aug    | 105     | Miss.Rabecca Sara Jacob       | 25636779 | Carmel - Salmiya           |
| 30-Aug    | 127     | Mr.Varghese Mathew            | 97507267 | Trinity - Salmiya          |
| 31-Aug    | 141     | Mrs.Akhila Mary Abraham       | 66244176 | Zion - Abu Halifa/Fahaheel |
| 31-Aug    | 047     | Miss.Eliza Jose               | 25652969 | St Luke - Salmiya          |

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

| DOM    | FAM No. | NAME   | TEL NO.  | PG                          |
|--------|---------|--|----------|-----------------------------|
| 01-Aug | 188     | Mr. Ciril B Mathew, Mrs. Ciji Thomas                   | 97918034 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya        |
| 02-Aug | 106     | Mr. Anish Varghese, Mrs. Lini Anish                    | 97116250 | St Andrews - Maidan Hawally |
| 06-Aug | 246     | Mr. Jobin K. Varghese, Mrs. Anju Jobin                 | 66146187 | Kerith - Abbasiya           |
| 10-Aug | 089     | Mr. Thomas K Thomas, Mrs. Neethu S Babu                | 50628188 | Gilead - Sharq              |
| 13-Aug | 242     | Mr. Bibin Benjamin, Mrs. Rini Rose Rajan               | 60078964 | Gloria - Riggae             |
| 14-Aug | 018     | Mr. Nibu Mathew Titus, Mrs. Sunitha Ann Varghese       | 25612156 | Sehion - Salmiya            |
| 16-Aug | 200     | Mr. Varghese K Jacob, Mrs. Jessy Varghese              | 99424952 | Gilead - Sharq              |
| 18-Aug | 078     | Mr. Ajit Jacob Mathew, Mrs. Jiby Jacob                 | 97541295 | Moria - Hawally             |
| 19-Aug | 233     | Mr. Siju M. Varghese, Mrs. Joice Elizabeth Zachariah   | 97638086 | Gloria - Riggae             |
| 19-Aug | 185     | Mr. Deepak Zachariah Cherian, Mrs. Sneha Sara Suresh   | 99152096 | Trinity - Salmiya           |
| 20-Aug | 171     | Mr. Maju Thomas, Mrs. Bindhu Maju                      | 65948682 | Kerith - Abbasiya           |
| 25-Aug | 071     | Mr. Libi Samuel, Mrs. Manju John                       | 67720341 | Gilead - Sharq              |
| 26-Aug | 083     | Mr. Abraham Koshy, Mrs. Elcy Abraham                   | 55722650 | St Thomas - Salmiya         |
| 26-Aug | 120     | Mr. Alex Cherian, Mrs. Beena Alex                      | 96656582 | Trinity - Salmiya           |
| 30-Aug | 035     | Mr. Thomas Thomas Thundiyl, Mrs. Mercy Thomas Thundiyl | 25662768 | St Thomas - Salmiya         |
| 30-Aug | 045     | Mr. Saji Samuel, Mrs. Biby Saji                        | 66297240 | Sehion - Salmiya            |
| 30-Aug | 063     | Mr. Aji Abraham, Mrs. Mini Aji Abraham                 | 69697489 | Emmanuel - Farwaniya        |
| 30-Aug | 121     | Mr. Joby Mammen Philip, Mrs. Shine Joby                | 66301904 | Moria - Hawally             |

*Birthday and Wedding Anniversary Wishes  
to all celebrating this month. Birthday & Wedding Anniversary  
Thanksgiving Services will be held during Holy Communion Services*



***Best Parish Award***



*Receiving the Best Parish Award from the Diocesan Bishop*



*Homeland Fellowship  
2018, Saturday 14th July ,KAVAL, Mar Thoma Development Center, Haripad*



| WORSHIP SCHEDULE & LECTIONARY |        |                |                     |                                   |              |                |                 |
|-------------------------------|--------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Date                          | Time   | Worship        | Venue               | Theme                             | Lessons      | Epistle-Gospel | Assisted by     |
| 03-Fri                        | 7:15am | Holy Communion | Hall of Faith, NECK | Mission Sunday                    | Isa 6:1-8    | 2Cor 11:16-31  | Moria P.G.      |
| 04-Sat                        | 7:00pm | Holy Communion | Hall of Peace, NECK |                                   | Acts 9:10-18 | Luke 10:1-12   | Moria P.G.      |
| 10-Fri                        | 7:15am | Holy Communion | Hall of Faith, NECK | Identify the Goodness in Creation | Gen 1:24-31  | Eph 1:3-14     | Kerith P.G.     |
| 11-Sat                        | 7:00pm | Holy Communion | Hall of Peace, NECK |                                   | Acts 10:9-16 | Matt 6:25-34   | Kerith P.G.     |
| 17-Fri                        | 7:15am | Fasting Prayer | Hall of Faith, NECK | Reformation Sunday                | 2Kgs23:1-6   | Acts 2:43-47   | Edavaka Mission |
| 18-Sat                        | 7:00pm | Holy Communion | Hall of Peace, NECK |                                   | Rev 3:14-22  | Matt 13:33-35  | Edavaka Mission |
| 24-Fri                        | 7:15am | Holy Communion | Hall of Faith, NECK | Baptism                           | Gen 7:11-24  | 1Pet 3:17-22   | Gilead P.G.     |
| 25-Sat                        | 7:00pm | Holy Communion | Hall of Peace, NECK |                                   | Rom 6:1-14   | 1Chr 12:20-26  | Gilead P.G.     |
| 31-Fri                        | 7:00am | Holy Communion | Hall of Faith, NECK | Jesus :The Great Guru             | Prov 4:1-19  | Col 1:24-29    | Sunday School   |
|                               |        |                |                     |                                   | Acts 22:1-5  | Luke 4:31-44   |                 |

| OFFICE BEARERS 2018-2019                                    |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| <b>Vice President</b><br>Mr. Abraham K. Cherian<br>50201016 | <b>Secretary</b><br>Mr. Biji Samuel<br>66862675 | <b>Trustee (Finance)</b><br>Mr. Abu Sam Thundathil<br>66280185 | <b>Trustee (Accounts)</b><br>Mr. Abey Mathew<br>99181556 | <b>Lay Ministrant</b><br>Mr. Baby Kutty Daniel<br>98853881 | <b>Lay Ministrant</b><br>Mr. Jomy Thomas<br>65692492 |

| REGULAR PROGRAMS   |  |  |  |   |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| <b>Choir Practice</b><br>Tuesdays 7:15pm -NECK<br>Fridays 1:15pm -NECK | <b>Edavaka Mission</b><br>1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays<br>7:30pm - Cottages | <b>Sevika Sanghom</b><br>1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday - Parsonage - 10:30am ,<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Saturday - Sharq - 04:00pm ,<br>4 <sup>th</sup> Saturday - Farwaniya - 05:30pm. | <b>Sunday School</b><br>Fridays<br>3:30pm - 5:30pm<br>NECK | <b>Yuvajana Sakhyam</b><br>Fridays<br>After Church Service at<br>Hall of Faith. |

*Kindly use the office facilities available on every Fridays & Saturdays after Church Services to settle all dues.  
Changes in the information contained herein if any, will be announced during Church services.*



*With Compliments from:  
Manu Easow & Family - Nazareth P.G., Jiby George Philip & Family - Moria P.G.,  
Anil Thomas & Family - St.Pauls P.G., Biji Samuel & Family - Sehion P.G.*