

- Worship Services and Lectionary for next Sunday

Next Sunday, October 24th, 2021, we will have **English Holy Communion Service** starting at **8:30 AM**, in-person and through the Trinity YouTube channel.

- Register starting **Thursday, October 21st at 7:00 AM**
- Pearland West Area members will assist the Worship Service

Theme: Visitation of Virgin Mary to Elizabeth “Sharing the Good News”

1st Lesson: Genesis 18:1-15
2nd Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Epistle: Romans 10:9-17
Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

- Prayer Meetings

- **Medical Center and Stella Link Area Prayer**
 - **Tuesday, October 19th at 7:00 PM**
 - Area committee member for the new year will be elected
- **Fasting Prayer, on Zoom**
 - **Friday, October 22nd at 9:30 AM**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440320308?pwd=NmhBVnVhcnRKOukxUE9hSGRyYXFsUT09>

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Dial-in #: +13462487799,,440320308# Passcode: 2222

- Organizational Announcements

- **Sunday School**

- We'll be having our in-person Sunday school today, October 17th, 2021, at 10:30 AM.
- There will be in-person Sunday school next Sunday, October 24th, immediately after the English Holy Communion Service. We encourage teachers and students to participate in the HC first.
- If you would **like to register your child** for the New Sunday School year, please let me or Sunday school leadership know through email. Email: trinitymtcss@gmail.com
- **Covid Guidelines:** See below suggested guidelines. We'll make additional changes on as-needed basis. All students, teachers and parents are requested to follow them, so that our children and church family can be safe and mitigate the spread of Covid virus.
 1. Sunday school starts at 10:30 am on Malayalam service Sundays and after the service on English service Sundays.
 2. No General sessions before classes.
 3. Students and teachers go directly to classes
 4. Head start to 2nd grade will be in Sunday school
 5. 3rd grade and above will be at trinity center
 6. Request parents not to gather in Sunday school during classes. Only exception is for a parent of a head start child
 7. Masks must be worn all the time during Sunday school
 8. Wipes and sanitizers will be placed at both Sunday school hall and trinity center
 9. Recommend teachers to wipe the desks if using them.
 10. Encourage students to use sanitizers and wash hands often.
 11. Seat the students appropriately distanced as well.
 12. After the dismissal from classes, students are encouraged to go to Divine service or home with their parents.
 13. Students are not allowed to hang around Sunday school hall or Trinity center after their classes are done.
 14. If students or teachers are ill or have similar symptoms of covid, please do not come.
 15. If a student is not feeling well during class time, please let the teacher or Sunday school leadership know asap.
 16. We'll be doing a temperature check at the entrance of Sunday school and trinity center before class.

- **Regional Sunday School news**

- Sunday School Student Retreat
- Southwest Regional Sunday School is planning to conduct Junior student retreat focusing on students in Pre-K - Grade 4 on Oct 23rd from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM through Zoom.
- The theme for this year's retreat is "The Beatitudes = The attitude" based on Matthew 5:1-12. Mrs. Ann Cherian will be leading the session. Kochamma was brought up in New York and now serves with Rev. Abraham Kuruvilla in Lubbock and Dallas.
- Attached is the flyer for the retreat.
- Please register your child using the link below:
- <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfjigL6FBMF-uipZwYMaCm1leFowvqW1jxfr8TUDoC2CFdEA/viewform>
- Regional Sunday school Teacher's workshop will be on November 6th led by Rev. Abraham Kuruvilla.

- **Trunk or Treat -- ARE YOU FALL-O-WEEN Jesus?**

Trinity Mar Thoma Church Sunday School and YF are teaming up to bring you "Trunk or Treat" on Saturday October 30th from 5 PM - 8 PM at the TMC parking lot.

We welcome all Sunday school and YF families to come join us for a fun filled evening with food, activities, music, and prizes for best costume and trunk.

Please wear a costume that Jesus would not mind you wearing!

Due to COVID protocols we are requesting everyone to wear masks!

Please RSVP by Wednesday October 20th!

You can use the church link to RSVP and sign up for a biblical theme for your vehicle's trunk if you plan to decorate.

Link: <https://trinitymtc.org/ministries/sunday-school/trunk-or-treat-are-you-fall-o-ween-jesus/>

For those decorating their vehicle's trunk don't forget the treats for the kids visiting your vehicle.

Please make sure not to bring any candies with nuts!



- Sunday School purchased **Teddy Bears and other goodies to donate to Memorial Hermann Sugar Land Pediatric Department**. Our Sunday school students will write "get well" notes during our in-person class to send to our little friends at the hospital.

- **Christmas Play**

- Time: Christmas Eve
- Venu: Trinity MTC

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- It will be In person Christmas Play
- No Auditions.
- The Deadline to signup is October 17th.
- Sign up Email - trinitymtchristmas@gmail.com
- For more info visit www.trinitymtc.org/Sundayschool



- Trinity Campus Building Project Information session
Tuesday, October 19th @ 8:00 PM, on Zoom
Sunday School parents & teachers are requested to attend.

Topic: Trinity Campus Building Project update

Time: Oct 19, 2021 08:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83329755874?pwd=b2cyTE1VYWlvNXdNLzM2R0hMMDdCUT09>

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Sincerely,

John Varghese (Anil) &

Sunday School Leadership Team

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- **Young Family Fellowship**



Thank you,
Varghese Mathai
Secretary

- **Sevika Sanghom**

- Pink Sunday. Breast Cancer Awareness Month

TMC Sevika Sanghom is requesting everyone to wear 'PINK' on Sunday, 24th of October. By Wearing 'PINK' (Shirt, ties, Saree, Churidar, Dress) on Sunday, 24th of October, we are raising awareness and expressing our moral support to women with breast cancer.

We will have an 'Awareness webinar' on Wednesday, 20th of October, Dr. Listy Anam Thomas, MD, MBA (Associate professor of medical sciences) from Connecticut will deliver the message. All are welcomed to attend.



- Kalamalsaram

Our TMC Sevika Sanghom Annual Kalamalsaram will be held on Sunday, October 24th, after the Holy Communion service.

Competitions will be conducted in the following 2 age categories, above 60 and below 60.

There will be three competitive items, Singing, Bible Reading, and Elocution. Those who are interested to participate must register their name with the Sevika Sanghom Secretary before the 22nd of October.

Details will be posted on the bulletin board in the Sunday School Hall.

All Sevika Sanghom members are invited to participate in this event.

Thank you,
Jooley Zachariah
Secretary

- **Edavaka Mission**

- **Evangelists Christmas Gift.**

We are approaching the Christmas time again. A time for caring and sharing. For the past 15 years Edavaka mission was coordinating the Christmas Gift program for our Evangelists serving in various parts of India. The living conditions in various parts of India is getting harder due to the pandemic Covid-19. It is our duty to help the poor and needy. Jesus said "whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me" Mathew 25:40.

Because of the wholehearted support of our Trinity family, we could do this in the past years successfully and we are depending on our members to support the program for this year also. We are planning to give Indian Rs. 3,000 to each of our Evangelists which is close to \$50.00 per evangelist with expenses. Last year we supported 608 Evangelists. We need to raise \$30,000 for this project and we are requesting each family to support the project as you all did it in the past. You can support as many Evangelists as you like.

There is no limit. Any amount of donation will be appreciated. You can pay via Venmo (TMC-EdavakaMission) or mail a check to the Treasurer Mr. Babu T. George or bring it to the church. You can also see Achen or one of the Edavaka mission member for more details. God loveth a Cheerful Giver. Thank you all very much. May God bless us all.

The MTVEA Southwest Region monthly prayer meeting will be held on October 18th, Monday at 7:30 PM via Zoom. Please plan to attend. Zoom details listed below. Rev. Oommen Samuel will give the message.

Meeting ID 799 998 2537

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7999982537>

The Edavaka Mission prayer meeting will be held on October 22, 2021 Friday at 7.30 pm via Zoom. All are requested to attend.

Zoom Meeting ID: 934 3547 4490, Passcode: 1111

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93435474490?pwd=bEUzeWxMRlI3MHlvOW54bHhLZlA2Zz09>

Please plan to attend.

Thank you,
Abraham K. Idiculla
Secretary

• **Yuvajana Sakhyam**

- Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam Diocese of North America and Europe is organizing an Essay competition on the topic ‘**യൗവ്വനം അർത്ഥവത്തായ ജീവിതത്തിനുള്ള അന്വേഷണം**’ (Youth - search for a meaningful life) Competition will be in both Malayalam and English . First prize will be a 150 dollar cash prize for each Malayalam and English. Second prize will be 100 dollar cash prize each in Malayalam and English as well. Please submit your essays to marthomayuvajanasakhyamnae@gmail.com by October 17th 2021 at 9pm EST. Requesting all of your Sakha members participation.

Essay competition criteria's are as follows:

1. Participants must be a registered MTYS member of our Diocese.
2. Essay should be legible and be based on Christian values.
3. Essay should not be more than 500 words.
4. The decision of Diocesan YS council will be final.
5. Submit your essays to marthomayuvajanasakhyamnae@gmail.com by October 17th at 9pm EST.

Thank you,
Reenu Varghese
Secretary

• **Senior Fellowship**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ!

ഭിന്നിറ്റി മാർത്തോമാ ചർച്ച സീനിയർ ഫെല്ലോഷിപ്പ് പ്രയർ മീറ്റിംഗ് ഒക്ടോബർ 21 -നു രാവിലെ 10:30 നു പള്ളിയിൽ വെച്ച് നടത്താൻ ഉദ്ദേശിക്കുന്നു. അന്നേ ദിവസത്തേക്കുള്ള നട പടി ക്രമങ്ങളിൽ ഭാഗഭക്ത് ആകാനായി സഹകരിക്കുകയും മുന്നോട്ടു വരികയും ചെയ്യണമെന്ന് അഭ്യർത്ഥിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു. ചുമതലക്കാരെ, സന്നദ്ധത, മുന്നമേ അറിയിക്കുമല്ലോ. എല്ലാവരിലും ഉപരിയായി, എല്ലാ സീനിയർ ഇടവകാംഗങ്ങളുടെയും പ്രാർത്ഥനാ പൂർവമായ സാന്നിധ്യം പ്രതീക്ഷിച്ചു കൊള്ളുന്നു.

തദവസരത്തിൽ, നമ്മുടെ 'ഷുഗർലാൻഡ്' ഏറിയ പ്രയർ ഗ്രൂപ്പ് അംഗം ആയ, ശ്രീമാൻ.റോബിൻ.എസ്, "AGING AND ARTHRITS " എന്ന വിഷയത്തെ സംബന്ധിച്ചു പ്രഭാഷണം നടത്തുന്നതും, തുടർന്നുള്ള ചർച്ചയിൽ, വാർദ്ധക്യത്തിലേക്കു കടക്കുന്നവരോടൊപ്പം കടന്നു വന്നു ആക്രമണം നടത്തുന്ന 'വാത'രോഗത്തെ നേരിടുന്ന വിധങ്ങളെ വിവരിച്ചു, നമ്മുടെ സംശയ നിവൃത്തി വരുത്തുന്നതും ആയിരിക്കും. ഒന്നിച്ചു കൂടി വരുന്നതിനും, പ്രാർത്ഥിക്കുന്നതിനും ഉള്ള അവസരങ്ങൾ പാഴാക്കാതെ, തീർച്ചയായും സംബന്ധിക്കുകയും, സ്നേഹ വിരുന്നിൽ പങ്കാളികൾ ആകുകയും ചെയ്യണമെന്ന് താത്പര്യപ്പെടുന്നു.

(മീറ്റിംഗ്: 2021 ഒക്ടോബർ 21 വ്യാഴാഴ്ച രാവിലെ 10:30 മണിക്ക് ട്രിനിറ്റി മാർത്തോമ്മാ പള്ളിയിൽ വെച്ച്.)

സെക്രട്ടറി (തോമസ് കെ.വർഗീസ്)

- Condolences

Mrs. T. I. Annamma (94) received the heavenly call on Tuesday, October 12th, in Kerala. She is the sister-in-law of Mrs. Annamma Mathai (North Houston Area Prayer group) and paternal aunt of Mrs. Rachel Benjamin (Pearland East Prayer group).

The Funeral was held on Thursday, October 14th at the Tabore Mar Thoma Church, Thottakad.

May God comfort the family members with His Divine Peace. Please continue to pray for family.

- Offertory collection details:

- **Sunday, October 10th: \$3,904**

CONVENTION: \$469, GENERAL: \$1,385, BIRTHDAY: \$1,675,

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: \$375

- Assistance Request – Ayathil Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church:

- The Ayathil Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church was founded in 1973 and the Church building was constructed in 1977. The building is structurally not sound and needs to be reconstructed. The 20 families attending this Parish are mostly day laborers and have requested our help to rebuild the Church (total cost: ~ \$49k).

- Pray that we can raise at least \$7k to help. Our Parish is not able to send assistance directly, in the near term, because of Indian government restrictions on mission project money transfers. We can however help as individuals. Please contact our Trustees for details and help with this need.

- Mar Thoma Messenger (official publication of our Diocese) is published quarterly. Sign-up or renew subscription today. Contact Mr. Shawn Varghese or Mrs. Jooley Zachariah, for more information.
- 10/24 English Holy Communion Service - register starting Thursday, 10/21, at 7:00 AM.
- ICECH Bible Quiz – October 24; need a 5-member Team.
- Thank you, Healing Hearts Ministry, for helping with the Holy Qurbana Service yesterday. Thank you, Mr Joji Jacob, Mrs. Nissi Jacob, and all the precious Healing Hearts Ministry members for your prayers and care for those in need.
- Join us for snacks, in the fellowship hall. Thank you, Aaron, Andrew, Jonathan, and Joshua, for celebrating three birthdays – Amachi (85th birthday!), Jolly and Giji.

Have a good new week.

Reji George

TMC Secretary

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