Trinity Mar Thoma Church, Houston, Texas October 24, 2021 – Announcements

Worship Services and Lectionary for next Sunday

Next Sunday, October 31st, 2021, we will have **Malayalam Worship Service** starting at **9:00 AM**, in-person and though the Trinity YouTube channel.

• Register starting Thursday, October 28th at 7:00 AM

• Pasadena Area members will assist the Worship Service

Theme: Koodosh Etho – Sanctification of the Church

1st Lesson:	Jonah 3:1-10
2nd Lesson:	Hebrews 9:11-23
Epistle:	1 Peter 1:13-19
Gospel:	Matthew 21:12-17

- Prayer Meetings
 - Alief Sugar Land Area Prayer
 - Today Sunday, October 24th at 6:30 PM, on Zoom
 - Pearland West Area Prayer
 - Wednesday, October 27th at 7:00 PM
 - Area committee member for the new year will be elected

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• Organizational Announcements

Sunday School

- We'll be having our in-person Sunday school today, October 24th, immediately after the English Holy Communion Service. There will be in-person Sunday school next Sunday, October 31st, at 10:30 AM.
- 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: <u>trinitymtcss@gmail.com</u>
- <u>Covid Guidelines</u>: 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.

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

Our Trunk or Treat event will be held on Saturday, October 30th at 5pm in Trinity Parking lot. Registration is closed. Requesting all those who RSVP'd to come participate in this fun event. For those who registered to decorate their trunks please be at church by 3pm to set up. Please have your trunk decorated by 4:45pm at the latest. Our event will start at 5pm and we would like everyone to be ready when kids arrive. Make sure not to bring any snacks or treats that may contain nuts for the kids.



Trinity MTC Christmas Play Time: Christmas Eve Venue: Trinity MTC- In-person

The Deadline to signup is Closed

Thank you to all who signed up to be a part of this year's Christmas Play! We are so excited and look forward to seeing you all at our first rehearsal today Sunday, October 24th after Sunday School (lunch will be provided). If you did not receive an email from last week about role assignments and other important material, please reach out to Leeja Thomas, Stacy George or Gina Samuel.

Sincerely, John Varghese (Anil) & Sunday School Leadership Team

• Young Family Fellowship



Young Family Fellowship Bible Study on "Talking with Your Kids about God"

- Today Sunday, October 24th at 7:00 PM
 - Elections 2022 Committee members
 - Discuss Trinity Campus Project and pledges

Thank you, Varghese Mathai Secretary

• Yuvajana Sakhyam

Yuvajana Sakhyam Membership campaign All Parish members, above 12 & below 45 are requested to join the Yuvajana Sakhyam, Membership is renewed on an annual basis. Complete application form & pay \$10 membership fee. https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScIFZv2JIOZh1ju2hTbWuKe-G7qFRvL8plVll1kNN182-bThQ/viewform

Thank you, Reenu Varghese Secretary

Sevika Sanghom

There will be a Sevika Sangham General body meeting on Sunday, 7th of November at 11.15 AM in Church. All Sevika Sangham members are requested to attend. Agenda: Election of office bearers, committee members, and auditors for the year 2022.

Sevika Sanghom Annual Kalamalsaram will be held today, right after the Holy Communion service. All who like to participate in this event, please stay back.

TMC Sevika Sanghom is welcoming all of you to join us for a piece of cake after church service today.

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-

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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.

A meeting of the Trinity Edavaka Mission will be held on Monday, October 25th at 7:30 PM. Agenda: (1) Election of (2022) Office Bearers, Committee Members & Auditors, and (2) AOB with the permission of the Chair. All Edavaka Mission members are invited to attend Please plan to attend.

Thank you, Abraham K. Idiculla Secretary

- <u>Condolences</u>
 - Mr. M. M. Thomas (74) received the heavenly call on Monday, October 18th, in Vadakara, Koothattukulam, Kerala. He is the younger brother of Mrs. Thankamma Thomas (GOA Prayer group). The Funeral was held on Saturday, October 23rd at the St. Johns Church in Vadakara, Koothattukulam. Please pray for Divine comfort for all family members.
 - Mrs. Ann Jacob (79), our former member (and from our North Houston Prayer group), was taken to her heavenly abode, on Wednesday, October 20th in Austin. Funeral Services were held yesterday, Saturday, October 23rd, at the Austin Mar Thoma Church. Please pray for God to comfort the family.
 - Mrs. Achamma Mathew (82) received the heavenly call on Friday, October 23rd, in Ranni, Kerala. She is the mother of Mr. Abraham Mathew (Suresh), of the Alief Sugar Land Prayer group. Suresh & his brothers are attending the funeral planned for next week. Please pray for Divine comfort for the family.
 - **Mr. K.G. Babu** (75) received the heavenly call early morning on Sunday, October 23rd, in Nedumbassry, Ernakulum, Kerala. She is the brother-in-law of Mrs. Alice Jacob of the Pasadena Prayer group. The funeral will be held later at St. Stephens Mar Thoma Church, Angamaly. Please pray for God to comfort the family.
 - Mrs. Sosamma Mathen (Kunjumole) (75), wife of the late Mr. A. M. Mathen was taken to her heavenly early this morning. She is the mother of Reji Mathew and Sheela George, both from the Alief Sugar Land Prayer group. Mr. P. I. Varghese (Pearland West Prayer Group), Mr. P. I. George (Missouri City and Stafford Prayer Group) and Mrs. Aleyamma Koshy (from CSI Church, Houston, & mom of our member, Mr. Siju Koshy) are siblings.

Wake and funeral details will be shared later.

Please pray for all the family members: Reji & Jessy Mathew, and children Ryan, Roshan and Ria; Shajan & Sheela George, and children Neethu & Nekha; P. I. Varghese Uncle and family; P. I. George Uncle and family; and Aleyamma Koshy Aunty and family.

• General Body Meeting:

A General Body Meeting of Trinity Mar Thoma Church will be held on Sunday, November 14th (5810 Almeda Genoa Road, Houston, Texas 77048), immediately after the English Holy Communion Service. Agenda:

- Election of (2022) Office Bearers, Committee Members & Auditors
- Trinity Campus Building Project Update (promotion of project by sponsorship of classrooms, donor recognition, etc.)
- Any Other Business, with the permission of the Chair

- Offertory collection details:
 - Sunday, October 17th: \$3,815 GENERAL: \$2,848, BIRTHDAY: \$931, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: \$400
- Mar Thoma Messenger (official publication of our Diocese) is published quarterly. Sign-up or renew subscription today. Contact Mr. Shawn Varghese, Mr. T. A. Mathew, or Mrs. Jooley Zachariah, for more information.
- 10/31 Malayalam Worship Service register starting Thursday, 10/28, at 7:00 AM.
- No more Church registration to attend effective 11/7
 - Responsibility placed on each one of us to make safe choices:
 - Properly wearing a mask, covering both nose & mouth, is mandatory
 - Maintain physical distance (6 ft) from non-family
 - Maintain good hand hygiene
 - Please stay home if you are sick or think you may be sick
- Our Diocesan Family Conference promo video <u>https://youtu.be/ntGyDqDGH_Y</u>
- Join us for snacks, in the fellowship hall. Thank you, Josh & Asha Kurian. Brian and Jesna are celebrating their on-year wedding anniversary.

Have a good new week.

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