

- Worship Services and Lectionary for next Sunday

Next Sunday, October 10th, 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 7 at 7:00 AM**
- Youth Fellowship members will assist the Worship Service

**Theme: Kingdom Building Through Families**

1st Lesson: 2 Samuel 9:1-12  
2nd Lesson: Acts 3:1-10  
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10  
Gospel: Matthew 15:29-31

- Trinity Mar Thoma Church Convention



**TRINITY MAR THOMA CHURCH CONVENTION**

- 2021 (English)

Convention Theme:  
**KINGDOM BUILDING THROUGH FAMILIES**

- Friday (10/8) - Sunday (10/10)
- Please pray for this convention



**TRINITY MAR THOMA CHURCH CONVENTION**  
**OCTOBER 8-10, 2021**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup> @ 7 PM  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup> @ 6 PM  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10<sup>TH</sup> (DURING HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE)  
**THEME: KINGDOM BUILDING THROUGH FAMILIES**  
"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!"  
Psalm 133:1

*Church Convention* —English—  
**LIVE**  
TMC HOUSTON  
YOUTUBE: TRINITY MAR THOMA LIVE  
F: /MARTHOMALIVE  
Rev. Larry Varghese  
October 8-10, 2021  
NEW DATE!

- Prayer Meetings

- **Pasadena Area Prayer**
  - **Sunday, October 3rd at 6:30 PM** (at the residence of Mr. Thomas Oommen)
  - Area committee member will be elected that day
- **Fasting Prayer, on Zoom**
  - **Friday, October 8th at 9:30 AM**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440320308?pwd=NmhBVnVhenRKOUkxUE9hSGRyYXFsUT09>  
Meeting ID: 440 320 308, Passcode: 2222  
Dial-in #: +13462487799,,440320308# Passcode: 2222

- Organizational Announcements

- **Sunday School**

- We will be starting in-person Sunday school today, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.
- There will be in-person Sunday school next Sunday, October 10th after English Holy Communion Service.
- 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](mailto: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) Parents are requested to not to gather in Sunday school during classes. Only exception is for a parent of a head start child.
    - 7) Masks must be always worn during Sunday school
    - 8) Wipes and sanitizers will be placed at both Sunday School Hall and Trinity Center
    - 9) Teachers are requested to wipe 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 stay home.
    - 15) If a student is not feeling well during class time, please let the teacher or Sunday school leadership know ASAP.
- **Church Convention (English)** - Inviting ALL our Sunday School students, teachers, and parents to attend our church convention which will be held from October 8 -10. Rev. Larry Varghese will be the main speaker for the convention. Please look out for additional details and fliers from church.
- **Regional Sunday School news**
  - a. Sunday School Student Retreat  
Grade Pre-K - 4th grade will be on October 23rd
  - b. 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**

Hello Trinity family! It is that time of year again – CHRISTMAS PLAY time!!! We are so excited to be able to celebrate Christmas IN PERSON with our annual Christmas play on Christmas Eve (12.24.2021). Please know that we will be implementing STRICT safety protocols throughout the practice season and on the day of the performance. This includes mandatory mask wearing and social distancing. We also will be performing in family & friend “bubbles” which means that the songs and scenes will be performed with people you are comfortable sharing the stage with and not as a large ensemble. In order to do this, we need you to let us know that you want to participate in the Christmas play AND the people you are comfortable performing with. DO NOT DELAY in responding back to [trinitymtchristmas@gmail.com](mailto:trinitymtchristmas@gmail.com). Auditions are NOT required but you must SIGN UP so that we can plan for safety. Sign-ups will be between NOW and Sunday, October 17. Email [trinitymtchristmas@gmail.com](mailto:trinitymtchristmas@gmail.com) with the following information: Participant Name, Parent Name, Email Address and Phone Number, Preference of family & friends to share the stage with. Practices will be on either Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. Please make it a point to attend. Join in the GREAT celebration of our Savior!!

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

- **Young Family Fellowship**



- YFF is helping **Harvest for the Hungry**, a non-profit organization, to end hunger in Houston
- **Saturday, October 23rd**
- **8 AM – 11 AM**
- Pick fruit, maintain plants, and much more
- Contact a YFF representative for more details.

Thank you,  
Varghese Mathai  
Secretary

- **Sevika Sanghom**

- SWR Center B Suvishesha Sevika Sanghom Monthly prayer meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 5th, 2021, from 7.00 PM - 8.15 PM. Rev. Abraham Kuruvilla (Emmanuel MTC, Lubbock) will share the Word of God. I humbly request all the Sevika Sanghom members from Center B Churches to participate in this meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84801522809?pwd=Y2JxOGp5b2xsMFJqVTZiZDZWSloxZz09>

Meeting ID: 848 0152 2809, Passcode: 493484

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- We will have our Sevika Sanghom Biweekly Prayer meeting on Wednesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 7:30 PM on Zoom. Please plan to attend prayerfully. Details will be sent later.
- Center B Suvishesha Sevika Sanghom Half Day Retreat will be held on Oct 9th, 2021, 9 am to 1pm as an in-person meeting in St. Thomas Marthoma Church, 19445 Cypress, Church Road, Cypress, TX.

Thank you,  
Jooley Zachariah  
Secretary

- **Edavaka Mission**

- **Monthly Prayer Meeting of MTVEA**

The Monthly Prayer Meeting of MTVEA Diocese of North America and Europe will be held on

Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 PM EST by Zoom

Message. Rev. GEORGE VARGHESE (St. Thomas MTC Delaware valley)

Meeting ID 872 4274 0053, Password: 101010.

Requesting the Prayerful Participation.

- **Edavaka Mission Convention**

The Edavaka Mission Convention was a very blessed event. We thank Roshen Achen, the Speakers – Rev. David Cherian, Rev. Shoji Varghese, & Evangelist Cherry George Cherian, all attendees, Mr. Abraham K. Idiculla & the Edavaka Mission leadership team, Edavaka Mission members assisting the convention, the Choir, the AV Ministry, and many others serving the effort, quietly and effectively, behind the scenes.

- If you missed participating in the MTVEA day offertory, please remember to bring the offertory next Sunday.

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](mailto: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

- Condolences

**Mr. A. M. Samuel (89)**, was called to eternity on Saturday, October 2nd in Pathanamthitta. He is survived by his wife, Annamma Samuel (Northshore Area), son – Vinod Samuel, daughters – Meena George, Omana Alexander, Kochumol Koshy and Lena Koshy. He belongs to the Alappattu Family, in Omalloor. The funeral will be held later in Kerala.

**Mrs. Ammini Varghese (86)**, was called to eternity on Monday, September 27th in Kolladu, Kottayam. She is the elder sister of Mrs. Sucey Abraham (Medical Center – Stella Link Area). Funeral was held at the St. Paul's Orthodox Church, Kolladu, Kottayam.

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

- Offertory collection details:

- **Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>: \$3,539**  
GENERAL: \$1,758, BIRTHDAY: \$1,181, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: \$600

- 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.
- Our Diocesan Bishop, Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Espiscopa will be visiting our Parish on Sunday, November 21st. Thirumeni will celebrate the Holy Communion Service and lead the First Communion Service. Details on the arrangements will be provided later.
  - Mar Thoma Messenger (official publication of our Diocese) is published quarterly. Sign-up or renew subscription today to receive the October issue. For more information, visit the Messenger booth in the Sunday School Hall or in the Foyer Area. We get an award if 30 more people sign-up.
  - 10/10 English Holy Communion Service - register starting Thursday, 10/7, at 7:00 AM.
  - Please join us in the fellowship Hall to celebrate three birthdays – Roshen Achen's birthday (10/3), Titty Kochamma's birthday (9/12) and Reona Roshen (9/8).
  - Join us for snacks, in the fellowship hall. Thank you and Happy Birthday - Mr. John Joseph (Babu Uncle)

Have a good new week.

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