

- Worship Services and Lectionary for next Sunday

Next Sunday, October 3rd, 2021, we will have **Malayalam Holy Communion Service** starting at **8:30 AM**, in-person and through the Trinity YouTube channel.

- Attendee limit: 250
- Register starting **Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 AM**
- Edavaka Mission members will assist the Worship Service

**English Divine Service starts at 11:30 AM**

**Theme: Voluntary Evangelist's Day – Carriers of the Gospel**

1st Lesson: Genesis 12:1-9  
2nd Lesson: Romans 1:8-16  
Epistle: 2 Timothy 4:1-6  
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

- Prayer Meetings

- **North Houston Area Prayer**, on Zoom
  - **Sunday, September 26th at 6:00 PM**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440320308?pwd=NmhBVnVhcnRKOUkxUE9hSGRyYXFzUT09>  
Meeting ID: 440 320 308, Passcode: 2222  
Dial-in #: +13462487799,,440320308# Passcode: 2222
- **Pasadena Area Prayer**
  - **Sunday, October 3rd at 6:00 PM** (at the residence of Mr. Thomas Oommen)
  - Area committee member will be elected that day

- Organizational Announcements

- **Sunday School**

- **There will be Sunday school today, September 26th** after the church service. Please lookout for your child's teacher's email from Sunday school for timing and Zoom details.
- 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)
- **In-person Sunday School:** In-person Sunday School classed start on Sunday October 3rd, 2021.
  - 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.

- There will be a **short teacher meeting on Tuesday, September 28th** at 8 PM via Zoom to discuss the reopening of Sunday school in-person. Request ALL teachers to attend this important meeting
- **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  
The Southwest Regional Sunday School is excited to host **virtual student retreats** this year! The first retreat will be held on **Saturday, Oct 2nd from 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM** focusing on students in Grade 5 through Grade 12. We are requesting all Sunday School Students and teachers from Grade 5 and above to participate! You don't want to miss it! Our very own Rev. Larry Varghese will be leading this event. Please see the attached flyer!  
Link: [Southwest Regional Sunday School Students Virtual Retreat Registration](#)  
Grade Pre-K - 4th grade will be on October 23rd (TBD)
  - b. Regional Sunday school Teacher's workshop will be on November 6th led by Rev. Abraham Kuruvilla. See attached spreadsheet for the Sunday Class times and Zoom details for the month of September.
- **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 5pm-8pm 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.



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

- **Young Family Fellowship**

- Please attend the **art of parenting** discussion on Wednesday, September 29th @ 8:30 PM, on Zoom.



Thank you,  
Varghese Mathai  
Secretary

- **Sevika Sanghom**

- Center B Suvishesha Sevika Sanghom half-day retreat will be held on Saturday, Oct 9th, 2021, from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM as an in-person meeting, at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, 19445 Cypress, Church Road, Cypress, TX.  
Registration fee: \$10/person. Registration is closed as the maximum attendee limit has been reached. All those who are registered, must reach St. Thomas Church, Cypress at 9.00 AM.
- Our Parish level Sevika Sanghom 'KALAMALSARAM' is scheduled to be held on Sunday, October 24th, immediately after the English Holy Communion. The details of the competition will be given later.

Thank you,  
Jooley Zachariah  
Secretary

- **Edavaka Mission**

- **The Annual Convention**

The Annual Convention of the Trinity Mar Thoma Church Edavaka Mission is scheduled to be held on Thursday, September 30th through Saturday, October 2nd.

Meetings will start daily at 7:00 PM via YouTube only.

**Rev. David Cherian, Vicar, St. Luke MTC, Florida** will speak on Thursday.

**Rev. Shoji Varghese, Vicar, St. Thomas MTC, Variapuram,** will speak on Friday.

**Evangelist Cherry George Cherian, Missions India, Thiruvalla** will speak on Saturday.

Please pray for the blessing of the convention and the speakers. We are inviting all Trinity families to join the convention. Please pray, participate, and be blessed.





## TRINITY MAR THOMA CHURCH EDAVAKA MISSION 2021 CONVENTION

**THEME: HEAR AND BE HEALED**  
(EXODUS 15:26)

**SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> - OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>**

### Speakers:

**Rev. David Cherian**

Vicar – St. Luke Mar Thoma Church, Coral Springs, Florida

**Thursday, September 30, 2021, at 7:00 PM**

**Rev. Shoji Varghese**

Vicar – St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Variapuram,  
Pathanamthitta, Kerala, India

**Friday, October 1, 2021, at 7:00 PM**

**Evangelist Cherry George Cherian**

Missions India, Thiruvalla, Kerala, India

**Saturday, October 2, 2021, at 7:00 PM**

**Please Pray, Participate, and be Blessed.**

Attend the Convention on YouTube

YouTube Link: [trinitymtc.org/live](https://trinitymtc.org/live)

### Speakers



Rev. David Cherian



Rev. Shoji Varghese



Evangelist Cherry  
George Cherian

- **MTVEA Day.** Edavaka mission is celebrating the Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelists' Association Day on Sunday, October 3rd. Edavaka Mission members will be assisting in the Sunday service with various assignments. Special offertory will be collected for mission activities. Envelopes will be kept in the foyer for the offertory on October 3rd 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 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

**Dr. Sany Abraham** (88) and **Dr. John Abraham** (88) was called to eternity on Saturday, September 18th and Monday, September 20th respectively, in Austin. They are from the Kadanadan family in Vengola, Perumbavoor. They are the uncle and aunt of Mrs. Maggie Paulose of the Galveston & Other Area Prayer Group. Funeral was held on Friday, September 25th in Manor, Texas.

**Mrs. Saramma Joseph** (86) was called to eternity on Wednesday, September 22nd in Jaipur, Rajasthan. She is the maternal grandmother of our Roshen Achen. The funeral was held on Thursday, September 23rd at the Jaipur Mar Thoma Church.

**Mr. V. M. Mammen** (92) was called to eternity on Monday, September 20th, in Cherukole. He is the eldest brother of Roshen Achen's father, Rev. Mathews Mathunny. The funeral was held on Wednesday, September 22nd at Cherukole Mar Thoma Church.

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

- Offertory collection details:

- **Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>: \$2,205**  
GENERAL: \$1,454, BIRTHDAY: \$450, WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: \$301

- 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.

Trinity Mar Thoma Church, Houston, Texas  
September 26, 2021 – Announcements

- 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.
- Mar Thoma Messenger (official publication of our Diocese) is published quarterly. Sign-up or renew subscription before next Sunday to receive the October issue. Contact Shawn Varghese, for more information.
- 250-person attendee limit - for 10/3 Holy Communion Service. Register starting Thursday, 9/30, at 7:00 AM.
- ICECH Volleyball Tournament – at Trinity Center: Congratulations to the Trinity Team for reaching the semi-finals!



- Join us for snacks, in the fellowship hall. Thank you, David Lukose, Nirmal & Sherlene Koruthu.

Have a good new week.

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