



Trinity Messenger

January 2022



Trinity Mar Thoma Church
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Vicar's Message

Dear Trinity Family,

Let me start this new year by wishing you all a very Happy & Blessed 2022. We are here in 2022 by the great mercy of God. God has guided, guarded, and strengthened us to complete another year in 2021 and He has gifted this new year of promises to us. We are given a chance for a new beginning and let us prayerfully accept it.

The increasing Covid cases have made its impact in our in-person worship services. Since many of our members got affected, we had to shift to a Zoom platform for a short period. But we hope that we can be back in church for our Holy Qurbana Services very soon. I request you to actively participate in our worship services via Zoom.

The Church Expansion Project has completed its first phase. Our dream is to expand our parking facility and have an entrance via the Wayside property, to have a bigger office & kitchen for the church, a dedicated music room & medical room, a larger Sunday school hall, a conference room, which can be used also for the daytime fellowship of our senior members, and a much more spacious entry lobby & fellowship hall. We wish to build 18 classrooms also, which we can use for Sunday school classes. In the first phase, we aimed at 1 million dollars, and we have almost reached there. We were mainly focusing on getting sponsors for our rooms and we still have 13 more rooms to be sponsored. I request you all to kindly pray for this project. You can make your pledges by visiting our website <https://campus.trinitymtc.org/> or by contacting me or any of the church office bearers/building committee members.

Last month we had a blessed time of fellowships. Despite the Covid situation, we were able to arrange prayer group Christmas get togethers, Organization Christmas get togethers, YF Christmas Party, Christmas Carol Service & Christmas Play. There are a lot of people who were instrumental in making this happen. The Prayer group representatives, Christmas Carol Rounds Team, Church Choir, Sunday School, Youth Fellowship, Yuvajana Sakhyam, Young Family Fellowship, Senior Fellowship, Healing Hearts Ministry & all other Organizations did an excellent job with the help of Church office bearers in organizing them. I want to thank all of them for their dedication and hard work.

Let me thank the outgoing office bearers and committee members of our parish as well as all our organizations for the valuable leadership and efforts. I welcome the newly elected office bearers and pray that they continue the good work with same enthusiasm and dedication.

Kindly visit our church website <https://member.trinitymtc.org/login> and log in to see whether all the details about your ID are correctly entered. Also, upload your family photo.

Looking forward to a wonderful year of fellowship and God's grace. Requesting your whole hearted support for ministry in this New Year.

With Prayers

Roshen Achen



Vicar's January Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Event
1-Jan	Saturday	6:00 PM	HOPE: Christmas Carol
2-Jan	Sunday	8:30 AM	Worship Service: Malayalam
3-Jan	Monday		Reserved for Diocesan & Regional Prayers
4-Jan	Tuesday	7:00 PM	SW Regional Sevika Sanghom Prayer
5-Jan	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Sevika Sanghom Prayer
6-Jan	Thursday		
7-Jan	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer
		7:30 PM	Edavaka Mission Prayer
8-Jan	Saturday	5:30 PM	Sevika Sanghom: Centre Committee
		7:30 PM	YF Meeting
9-Jan	Sunday	8:30 AM	Worship Service: English
		5:30 PM	North Houston: Area Prayer
10-Jan	Monday		Reserved for Diocesan & Regional Prayers
11-Jan	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Healing Hearts Meeting
12-Jan	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Missouri City & Stafford: Area Prayer
13-Jan	Thursday	7:30 PM	Church Executive Committee
14-Jan	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer
15-Jan	Saturday	11:00 AM	Baptism
		2:30 PM	Marriage: Immanuel MTC
16-Jan	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: Malayalam
17-Jan	Monday		Reserved for Diocesan & Regional Prayers
18-Jan	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Alief Sugar Land: Area Prayer
19-Jan	Wednesday	7:30 PM	Sevika Sanghom Prayer
20-Jan	Thursday		
21-Jan	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer
22-Jan	Saturday		
23-Jan	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: English
24-Jan	Monday		Reserved for Diocesan & Regional Prayers
25-Jan	Tuesday		
26-Jan	Wednesday		
27-Jan	Thursday	10:00 AM	Senior Citizens Fellowship
28-Jan	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer
29-Jan	Saturday	9:30 AM	Sevika Sanghom Centre Retreat
		4:30 PM	Baptism
30-Jan	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: Malayalam
		11:30 AM	Annual General Body: Yuvajana Sakhyam
31-Jan	Monday		Reserved for Diocesan & Regional Prayers

Trinity MTC Member Portal

Please check your email for the link to access the Trinity Mar Thoma Church member portal.

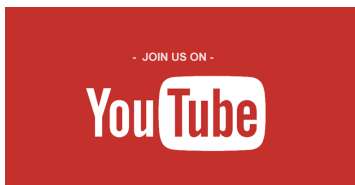
Access the dashboard for (your) member information, Contribution amounts and details, Access contact information for other members (like Church directory), and Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries for the day.

If you did not get this email, or need help accessing the portal, please contact Shajan George (or Trustees or Secretary).



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<https://www.youtube.com/user/MarThomaHouston>

Registration link for Church Services

<https://trinitymtc.org/register>



Secretary's Note

Hello Everyone,

Happy New Year!

A new year and a new beginning give each of us the opportunity to reflect on our many blessings.

The Parable of the Talents reminds us to invest and develop our abilities to bring God glory and honor. The first and second servants embraced the idea of growing their blessings, while the third servant was mired in fear, lack of optimism, lack of faith, and he was afraid to take risks. Clearly, we should not emulate the example of the third servant.

We all have so many God-given talents and abilities. Every talent we have is a gift from God. What we do with that talent is our gift back to our Heavenly Father.

Let us find time for reflection this new year. Set aside time to embrace and develop your many talents. We cannot truly honor and glorify our Heavenly Father without stepping out of our comfort zones.

Ryan Holiday, in his book titled, *Courage is Calling*, reminds the reader:

“Our hands are never as tied as we think.

We have to make our own luck, big or small. Just because we don't hear a voice like Nightingale, doesn't mean we aren't called to something, locally or globally.”

Maya Angelou said, “Courage is the most important of all virtues because without courage, you can't practice any other virtue consistently.”

Please join me in thanking the outgoing Parish Office Bearers and Executive Committee and welcoming the incoming Office Bearers and Executive Committee.

Please continue to pray for our Church, our Achens and their families, the office bearers, executive committee, and me.

Thank you,

Reji George

TMC Secretary



Prayer Meetings

Area Prayer Meetings:

Zoom Meeting ID: 440 320 308, Passcode: 2222

Dial-in #:+13462487799, Access code: 440 320 308#, Passcode: 2222

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440320308?pwd=NmhBVnVhenRKOUkxUE9hSGRyYXFfsUT09>

- ◆ North Houston Area: **Sunday, January 9th @ 5:30 PM**, on Zoom
- ◆ Missouri & Stafford Area: **Wednesday, January 12th @ 7:00 PM**, on Zoom
- ◆ Alief - Sugar Land Area: **Tuesday, January 18th @ 7:00 PM**, on Zoom

Healing Hearts Prayer Meeting: Tuesday, January 11, 2022 @ 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 979 0660 5203 , Passcode: 7198

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/97906605203?pwd=TGZrVG8vTkprQ1V0YWtHaXJUSWIxdz09>

Sevika Sanghom Meetings, on Zoom:

- ◆ Wednesday, January 5th @ 7:30 PM , on Zoom
- ◆ Wednesday, January 19th @ 7:30 PM, on Zoom

Fasting Prayers

- ◆ Friday, January 7th @ 9:30 AM, on Zoom
- ◆ Friday, January 14th @ 9:30 AM, on Zoom
- ◆ Friday, January 21st @ 9:30 AM, on Zoom
- ◆ Friday, January 28th @ 9:30 AM, on Zoom

Zoom connection details for Sevika Sanghom & Fasting Prayer Meetings

Zoom Meeting ID: 934 3547 4490, Passcode: 1111

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<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/93435474490?pwd=bEUzeWxMRTI3MHlvOW54bHhLZlA2Zz09>



Worship Service & Lectionary

2-Jan	Malayalam Worship Service 08:30 AM, on Zoom			
	Theme: We are called to Evangelize			
	1st Lesson	Exodus 3:1-17	Epistle	Acts 26:19-23
	2nd Lesson	Acts 16:6-10	Gospel	Luke 10:1-11
Medical Center/Stella Link Area will assist the Worship Service				
9-Jan	English Worship Service 08:30 AM, on Zoom			
	Theme: Temperance Sunday - Overcoming Addictions			
	1st Lesson	Joshua 7:16-26	Epistle	1 Corinthians 6:9-11
	2nd Lesson	Ephesians 5:8-21	Gospel	Matthew 18:6-11
Pearland East Area will assist the Worship Service				
16-Jan	Malayalam Holy Communion Service 08:30 AM			
	Theme: Victory through Fasting and Prayer			
	1st Lesson	1 Kings 18:21-39	Epistle	Ephesians 6:10-20
	2nd Lesson	Acts 12:1-12	Gospel	Matthew 17:14-21
North Shore Area will assist the Holy Communion Service				
23-Jan	English Holy Communion Service 08:30 AM			
	Theme: Church - Incorporated to be One Body			
	1st Lesson	1 Samuel 7:1-5	Epistle	Ephesians 4:1-7
	2nd Lesson	1 Corinthians 12:12-20	Gospel	John 15:1-12
Pearland West Area will assist the Holy Communion Service				
30-Jan	Malayalam Holy Communion Service 08:30 AM			
	Theme: The Pandemic, which should lead us to firm faith			
	1st Lesson	2 Samuel 24:15-25	Epistle	Acts 11:27-30
	2nd Lesson	Romans 8:22-28	Gospel	Mark 6:53-56
Missouri City and Stafford Area will assist the Holy Communion Service				



Demises

Mr. Varkey Abraham (87), elder brother of Mr. Abraham Joseph (Jose), North Shore prayer group, received the heavenly call on Friday, January 7th, 2022, in Angadi, Ranni, Kerala. Funeral will be held on Monday, January 10th.

Mr. Samuel Thomas (Moni - 68) from the North Houston Prayer group [younger brother of Mr. Abraham Thomas, elder brother of Mrs. Susannamma Philipose, (both from North Houston Prayer group) and younger brother of (our former member) Mrs. Rosamma Mathew] received the heavenly call on Monday, January 3rd, 2022, in Alumkal, Kadammanitta, Kerala. The funeral was held at Salem Mar Thoma Church, Kadammanitta on Saturday, January 8th.

Mr. John Thayil (82), elder sister's husband of Mrs. Annie Mathews & Mrs. Kusumam George of the Alief Sugarland prayer group, received the heavenly call on Sunday, January 3rd, 2022, in Orlando, Florida. The funeral was conducted on Saturday, January 8th at St Paul's Orthodox Church, Orlando, Florida.

Mr. Thomas Abraham (80), brother of Mr. Abraham Mathew of the Pearland East prayer group, received the heavenly call on Thursday, December 23rd, in Poothanoor, Palakkad, Kerala. Funeral was conducted at Jerusalem Mar Thoma Church, Munderoor on Friday, December 24th.

May God comfort all the family members with His Divine Peace. Please uphold the families in your prayers. We extend our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.



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