

# Trinity Messenger October 2022



Trinity Mar Thoma Church 5810 Almeda Genoa Road Houston, Texas 77048



### Vicar's Message

#### *"If anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation: everything old has passed away; every-thing has become new" 2 Corinthians 5:17*

God is always in the process of renewing His creation. If we observe nature, God renews the created world through different seasons. Summer days have passed, and autumn brings a new freshness and chill in the air. The temperature is dropping, and we see changes in nature. The trees' leaves fall to survive the winter and grow new in the Spring. To become anew, we need to weaken the old self and put on a new self, which is created after the likeness of Jesus Christ himself. This is always painful, but painful experience gifts us a new being.

Sabha Prathinidhi Mandalam was held on September 13<sup>th</sup>,14<sup>th</sup> &15<sup>th</sup> in Thiruvalla. It is decided to elect four more Bishops in our Church and the proceedings have already started. Let us uphold the need of the Church into Gods hands so that divinely appointed persons may come into the higher office of the church.

The Diocesan Sevika Sanghom Conference is arranged to be held in Dallas this month. Our Metropolitan Thirumeni will attend the conference. Currently, Thirumeni is in the US and it is his first visit after being elevated as Metropolitan. The South West Regional Activity Committee has arranged a reception for Metropolitan on October 12th in Dallas. Let us hope and pray that his visit is an added blessing to the Diocese.

Our Parish Convention is going to happen the first week of this month. Dr. Thomas George is the main speaker. Unchanging faith in a changing world is the theme for this year. I do encourage everybody to attend the meeting in-person. However, considering the senior members who are not able to attend personally, livestreaming will also be available.

We are almost close to the end of yet another financial year. I request all of you to remit all the amount due to the Parish at the earliest. I thank all of you for the prayerful support for all Parish activities.

May God bless all.

Love and prayers,



#### Vicar's October Schedule

Date	Day	Time	Event	
1-Oct-22	Saturday		Wedding	
2-Oct-22	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: Malayalam	
		11:30 AM	English Divine Service	
		5:30 PM	Pasadena Area Prayer	
3-Oct-22	Monday			
4-Oct-22	Tuesday			
5-Oct-22	Wednesday			
6-Oct-22	Thursday	7:00 PM	Trinity Parish Convention	
7-Oct-22	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer (combined at Trinity MTC)	
		7:00 PM	Trinity Parish Convention	
8-Oct-22	Saturday	11:30 AM	Baptism	
		6:30 PM	Trinity Parish Convention	
9-Oct-22	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: English	
10-Oct-22	Monday			
11-Oct-22	Tuesday			
12-Oct-22	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Metropolitan Welcome/Felicitation in Dallas	
13-Oct-22	Thursday		Diocesan Clergy Conference & Sevika Sanghom Conference	
14-Oct-22	Friday		Diocesan Sevika Sanghom Conference	
15-Oct-22	Saturday			
16-Oct-22	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: Malayalam	
	y	11:30 AM	English Divine Service	
17-Oct-22	Monday	7:30 PM	Regional Edavaka Mission Meeting	
18-Oct-22	Tuesday			
19-Oct-22	Wednesday			
20-Oct-22	Thursday			
21-Oct-22	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer	
	-	7:00 PM	Ablaze at Trinity Campus	
		7:30 PM	Edavaka Mission meeting (on Zoom)	
22-Oct-22	Saturday	10:00 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: Malayalam (Healing Hearts)	
23-Oct-22	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: English	
24-Oct-22	Monday			
25-Oct-22	Tuesday			
26-Oct-22	Wednesday			
27-Oct-22	Thursday	10:00 AM	Senior Fellowship Meeting	
28-Oct-22	Friday	9:30 AM	Fasting Prayer	
			Middle Aged Fellowship Retreat	
29-Oct-22	Saturday		Middle Aged Fellowship Retreat	
		5:00 PM	Trunk or Treat (Trinity Campus)	
30-Oct-22	Sunday	8:30 AM	Holy Qurbana Service: Malayalam	
	2	11:30 AM	English Divine Service	
31-Oct-22	Monday			



#### Parish Convention



#### TRINITY MAR THOMA CHURCH IN-PERSON PARISH CONVENTION OCTOBER 6-9, 2022

#### Speaker: Dr. Thomas George

Dr. Thomas George is a well-known speaker born into a family of evangelists in Kochi and is involved in various Christian mission activities. He received his Doctor of Ministry from the International Institute of Church Management in Chennai and Doctor of Philosophy in religious studies from International University of Contemporary Studies in Washington DC.

Theme: Unchanging Faith in a changing world Thursday, October 6th @ 7:00 PM Friday, October 7th @7:00 PM Saturday, October 8th @ 6:30 PM Final Talk during English Holy Communion Service on Sunday, October 9th @ 8:30 AM







Dr. Thomas George

TRINITY MAR THOMA CHURCH 5810 Almeda

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### Secretary's Note

Dear Trinity Family,

As the fall season is upon us, we can see and enjoy the changes God gives us. Fall is a time of renewal. "The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of our God endures forever." – Isaiah 40:8. This verse reminds us that everything in this world will fade away, except God's words. Let us live today in God's word, since this is what matters in eternity.

October is another busy Trinity Calendar month. Our Parish Convention is scheduled from Thursday, October 6 to Sunday, October 9. Our speaker, Dr. Thomas George, is a well-known convention speaker. The final talk will be during the English Holy Communion Service.

The next Trinity General Body Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, November 6. We will be electing Office Bearers for the next year. Our prayer groups and organizations will also select new leaders to encourage our walk with Christ in the new year.

If you have not been active with Church activities, consider getting involved. Volunteer to help a Trinity organization, or become an Area Committee member, or an Office Bearer.

There is planning taking place about the Trinity Campus building project as well as inperson Christmas caroling rounds. Please participate and take an active role to make a difference for Trinity.

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

Thank you,

Reji George TMC Secretary

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## Worship Service & Lectionary

	Malayalam Holy Communion Service 8:30 AM						
	English Divine Service at 11:30 AM						
2-Oct	Theme - Mar Thoma Voluntary Evangelist Day: Do the work of an Evangelist						
	1st Lesson 2 Kings 7:3-11	<b>Epistle</b> 2 Timothy 4:1-5					
	2nd Lesson 2 Corinthians 4:1-6	Gospel Luke 10:1-12					
Edavaka Mission members will assist the Holy Communion Service							
	English Holy Communion Service 8:30 AM						
9-Oct	Theme - Christian Approach to the Differently Abled						
5-000	1st Lesson 2 Samuel 9:1-12	Epistle 2 Corinthians 4:16-18					
	2nd Lesson Acts 3:1-10	Gospel Mark 3:1-6					
	Youth Fellowship members will ass	ist the Holy Communion Service					
	Malayalam Holy Communion Service 8:30 AM						
	English Divine Service at 11:30 AM						
16-Oct	Theme: Youth Sunday - Youths: Inheritors of Faith						
	1st Lesson Daniel 6:1-10	Epistle Titus 2:1-15					
	2nd Lesson Hebrews 12:1-13	Gospel Mark 10:17-22					
	Yuvajana Sakhyam members will as	ssist the Holy Communion Service					
	English Holy Co	English Holy Communion Service 8:30 AM					
22.0.4	Theme: Visitation of Virgin Mary to Elizabeth - Sharing the Good News						
23-Oct	1st Lesson Genesis 18:1-15	Epistle Romans 10:9-17					
	2nd Lesson 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Gospel Luke 1:39-45					
Alief - Sugar Land Area members will assist the Holy Communion Service							
	Malayalam Holy Communion Service 8:30 AM						
30-Oct	Theme - Sanctification of the Church - Kudosh Eetho: Beginnng of the Liturgical Year						
30-001	1st Lesson 2 Chronicles 34:14-28	<b>Epistle</b> 1 Peter 1:13-19					
	<b>2nd Lesson</b> Acts 28:17-30	Gospel John 2:13-22					
Pearland East Area members will assist the Holy Communion Service							



#### Mar Thoma Messenger



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#### Mar Thoma Messenger

The Mar Jhoma Messenger is the official publication of the Diocese of North America & Europe of the Mar Jhoma Church and has been in circulation for the last 40 Years. It is published by our Diocese every quarter. In addition to relevant news from around the Diocese, it contains Bible Studies and articles related to the faith and practices of the Church and contemporary trends in society. Subscribing and reading will help our parish families to learn and grow by connecting to the various churches, congregations, mission work, and our Diocese.

The month of September will be celebrated as Messenger Month. The October issue of Messenger will be focusing on the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Messenger (Ruby Jubilee Special). Sunday, September 25, 2022 is set apart as Messenger Sunday. Our goal is to sign up 40 new subscribers and 5 Life subscribers in the month of September. Our Parish received the Messenger Award in the past and please help us to receive the Messenger Award in 2022. Please help us by renewing your subscription or sign up as new subscriber to achieve our goal in 2022.

Please make the check payable to "Mar Thoma Messenger" and give it to any of the Messenger Promoters of our Parish.

Please see the information below. If you can afford, please sign up as a Life subscriber.

THREE YEARS SUBSCRIPTION	\$ 35.00
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# Light to Life Mission Project

**Light to Life** is a social development endeavor of our Diocese to ensure children from poor communities lead a life of dignity. Our Diocesan Mar Thoma Mission Board implements this project through Church related agencies in India. You can sponsor a child by donating \$20/month. Trinity families sponsored 252 children in 2022.



- If you are a current sponsor: please help your child for one more year.
- If you are not a current sponsor: please help by sponsoring a child in need.

Contact Shawn Varghese, Jaison V. Cherian, or T. A. Mathew for more details.



#### Demises

**Mrs. Sosamma Jacob** (76), mother of Rev. Jacob P. Thomas was called to eternity on Thursday, September 29th, in Kerala. Funeral will be held on Monday, October 3rd, at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Mangalam.

**Mrs. Saramma Kunjappy Mallassery** (86), sister of Mr. E. M. Thomas (Pearland East Prayer group), received the heavenly call on Tuesday, September 27th, in Kerala. Funeral was held on Saturday, October 1st at Bethel Mar Thoma Church, Mallassery.

**Mr. C. M. Mathew** (Babu - 70), older brother of Mr. Jose Mathew (Pearland East Prayer group), received the heavenly call on Thursday, September 22nd, in Kerala. Funeral will be held on Tuesday, September 27th, at Bethel Mar Thoma Church, Kallooppara.

**Mrs. Mariamma "Lilly" Varghese** (75), from the Pearland East Prayer Group, received the heavenly call on Sunday, September 11th. The Memorial Service was held at Trinity Mar Thoma Church on Friday, September 16th.

The Funeral Service was held on Saturday, September 17th, at Trinity Mar Thoma Church, followed by interment at South Park Funeral Home in Pearland, Texas.



May God comfort all family members with His Divine Peace. We extend our heartfelt condolences to all grieving family members and friends.



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