

- **Worship Service and Lectionary**
Sunday, October 16th, 2022

Malayalam Holy Communion Service at 8:30 AM

Theme – Youths: Inheritors of Faith

1st Lesson: Daniel 6:1-10

2nd Lesson: Hebrews 12:1-13

Epistle: Titus 2:1-15

Gospel: Mark 10:17-22

Yuvajana Sakhyam members will assist the Service

English Divine Service at 11:30 AM

- **Galveston and Other Area Bi-weekly Bible Study**

- Wednesday, October 12th, at 8:00 PM, on Zoom

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440320308?pwd=NmhBVnVhcnRKOuKxUE9hSGRyYXFzUT09>
- Meeting ID: 440 320 308 & Passcode: 2222
- One tap mobile +13462487799,,440320308# US (Houston)

- **Organizational Announcements**

- **Sunday School**

1. Today, Sunday October 9th, Sunday school will begin immediately after church service with a singing session.

2. Teachers meeting - There will be a short meeting for all teachers immediately after Sunday school today October 9th. All teachers are requested to attend. Lunch will be provided.

3. Next Sunday October 16th, Sunday school will begin at 10:30 am.

4. Trunk or Treat - Trinity Mar Thoma Church Sunday School, YF, and YFF are teaming up to bring you "Trunk or Treat" on Saturday October 29th from 5pm to 8pm at TMC parking lot.

We welcome all Sunday School, YF and YFF 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! If you are interested in decorating your trunk please sign up fast!

Please RSVP for the event and sign up for decorating your trunk using the link by Wednesday October 19th.

Link- <https://forms.gle/UHDRAvsY3TaWZFb87>

5. Christmas play Musical - December 24th.

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 rehearsals.

Dates for our upcoming rehearsals (lunch will be provided):

- Today, Sunday, October 9th after Sunday School
- Next Sunday, October 16th immediately after Divine Service.

Please plan to meet, at first, in the Sanctuary. If you did not receive an email from trinitymtchristmas@gmail.com last week with important material for the rehearsals, please reach out to Leeja Thomas, Stacy George, Reny Mathews, or Gina Samuel asap.

With Regards,

John Varghese (Anil) & Sunday School Leadership Team

Trinity Mar Thoma Church, Houston, Texas

October 9, 2022 – Announcements

- Youth Fellowship

Join us for Ablaze on Friday, October 21 at 7 PM. Tell your friends to RSVP on tmcyf.org/events and we can't wait to see you there.

Thanks,
Thomas Benjamin

- Young Family Fellowship

- YFF is hosting a Marriage Seminar on Saturday October 15th from 8:30am to 5pm at Trinity Mar Thoma Church. The seminar will be led by Licensed Marriage Counselor, Sam John.
- Registration is \$65 per couple. Space is limited to the first 20 couples & is open to all.
- Registration link will be sent out via church announcements and YFF GroupMe.
- <https://forms.gle/av9PUNkuh749Fxi7>



- This Thursday, October 13th, we will continue our study on “teaching your kids on how to study the Bible.” Please join us on Zoom at 8:30 PM. A link will be shared later.

Thanks,
Varghese Mathai
Secretary

- Sevika Sanghom

There will be a Sevika Sangham General body meeting on Sunday, 23rd of October, in the Church sanctuary, right after the Holy Communion. All Sevika Sangham members are requested to attend.

Agenda: Election of the secretary for the year 2023.

Thanks,
Jooley Zachariah
Secretary

- Edavaka Mission

The MTVEA South West Region, Center B monthly prayer meeting will be held on Monday, October 10th, at 7.30 PM, via Zoom.

Please plan to attend. The Zoom details listed below.

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Evang. Sam Mallappally from Mallappally, Kerala will give the message.

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MTVEA day offertory collection: Those who did not get a chance to participate in the MTVEA mission offertory collection may do so by next Sunday. Envelopes are available in the foyer.

Thanks,
Abraham K. Idiculla
Secretary

- **Senior Fellowship**

Senior Fellowship Committee meeting will be held on Sunday, October 16th, following the Malayalam Holy Communion Service. All Committee members are requested to attend.

Thanks,
Joseph M. Chemmarappally
Secretary

- **Light to Life Mission Project**

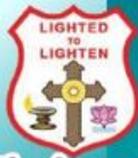
- To renew your sponsorship or to sponsor a new child, please donate \$240/year (\$20/month).
- Payments can be made by dropping off a check (or cash) with our Trustees - Mr. Thomas Mathew (Cell: 713-398-6696) & Mr. Varghese Samuel (Cell: 281-804-4060), or money transfer by Zelle (Zelle Pay # 346-520-4916) or Venmo (@TrinityMTCHouston). Note there is a service fee for Venmo.
- For more information, please contact Mr. Shawn Varghese, Mr. Jaison V. Cherian or Mr. T. A. Mathew. Thank you for your prayerful support and help

- **Mar Thoma Messenger**

- We need to add five more new subscribers to meet our goal. For more information, please contact Mr. Shawn Varghese or Mr. Joseph George Thadathil (Raju).

- **Felicitation Program for the Most Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan**

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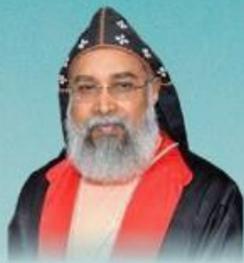


Diocese of North America and Europe
The Mar Thoma Church

South West Regional Activity Committee (RAC)



The Most Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan



Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa

Date: **October 12th (Wednesday), 2022 | Time: 7:00 PM**
Venue: **Mar Thoma Event Center, 11550 Luna Rd Dallas, Texas - 75234**

The Diocese of North America and Europe, South West Regional Activity Committee (SWRAC) cordially invites you to be part of the felicitation program for **The Most Rev. Dr. Theodosius Mar Thoma Metropolitan** presided by our **Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar Philoxenos Episcopa**. We humbly urge your presence as we take part in the grand assembly to welcome our Metropolitan to the Dallas region. This is Thirumeni's first visit after being installed as the Metropolitan. This will be an event with distinguished guests, clergies from all over USA and the members of the Mar Thoma community from the region.

Please mark your calendar and save the date for **Wednesday October 12th, 2022 and join us for the event from 7PM at the Mar Thoma Event Center** (11550 Luna Rd, Dallas, Texas 75234).

With regards,

Rev. Thomas Mathew P.
Vice-President

Aby George
Secretary

Shaji S. Ramapuram
Convener

TRINITY MAR THOMA PARISH CONVENTION- OCTOBER 6TH-9TH

- The Trinity Parish Convention focused on the theme Unchanging Faith in a changing world got wrapped up yesterday evening .
- Dr. Thomas George, thank you for speaking to us three evenings, at our Friday fasting prayer meeting, and this morning.
 - We pray that God continues to bless you, your family, and Life Renewal Ministries International.
- We also thank Sam Achen, Roshen Achen, Oommen Samuel Achen, the Trinity Choir, Manosh Thomas and Demish Thomas, the AV Ministry, many who prayed for the convention and prayed during the convention, our Executive Committee & Office Bearers, and all who attended in-person or through the Trinity YouTube channel.



- Happy Birthday, Roshen Achen!
 - We pray that God continues to bless you, your precious family, and your Ministry.
- Please join us for birthday cake in the fellowship Hall.



Offertory: Sunday, October 2nd: \$ 4,429

GENERAL: \$ 1,134, BIRTHDAY: \$ 2,560, WEDDING: \$ 735

- We would like to close out Harvest Festival related activities soon. If you are yet to make auction and donation payments, please follow-up.
- Donations and payments: Donations and payments can be made by dropping off a check (or cash) with our Trustees - Mr. Thomas Mathew (Cell: 713-398-6696) & Mr. Varghese Samuel (Cell: 281-804-4060), or money transfer by Zelle (Zelle Pay # 346-520-4916) or Venmo (@TrinityMTCHouston). Note there is a service fee for Venmo.
- Prayer Groups & Organizations are requested to elect your Executive Committee representatives by Sunday, November 6th. The Trinity General Body meeting notice scheduled for November 6th will be shared later this month.
- The Trinity voters list is posted in the Fellowship Hall. Please notify the Vicar of any errors by Wednesday, October 19.

- Please join us for snacks in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you, Babin and Diana Kurian for sponsoring snacks. Happy Birthday Julia Kurian.

Christian Approach to Differently Abled

Mark 3:1-6

It is the sabbath and Jesus is again in the synagogue, presumably at Capernaum. This account needs to be read in the light of the healing of the man paralytic. These two occasions demonstrate the authority of Jesus over sin and sickness.

When Jesus entered the synagogue, he noticed a man with a withered hand there. The Pharisees watched Jesus closely, aware that Jesus has already been healed on the Sabbath. They are motivated to accuse Jesus. Mark, very cleverly notices an irony here, the authorities deny Jesus to do good on the sabbath while they conspire to do evil on the Sabbath. For Jesus, Sabbath is not a resting day but a day for celebration, celebrating the wholeness of creation. So, healing on the sabbath is not a violation of the law but participation in the creative act of God.

Jesus orders the man to stand up in front of everybody. Jesus made the man stand at the center of the synagogue and asked them “which is lawful on the sabbath, to do good or to do evil, to save life or to kill?”

The question of doing good or evil absolutely refers to the healing of this man. Where good needs to be done, there can be no neutrality, and failure to do is to contribute to evil.

In the face of the need of this man, the religious authorities are silent. The silence is evidence that, for human needs. This kind of religion neither reach God nor human rather make God angry over their hierocracy

These silent observers are willing to tolerate the lamentable condition of their fellow worshippers.

But for Jesus, the Gospel of god is about the disposition of the heart, which cannot remain unmoved in the face of suffering .the test of all theologies and moralities is either passed or failed by one's response to the weakest and defenseless person of the society.

The compassion of Jesus is free but costly. The hand is restored but the Pharisees and Herodians began to plot..how they might kill Jesus. We are called not to show mere sympathy towards those in need but to extend caring hands which is always costly.

Prayer

Lord, help us to open our eyes and break our silence so that we may be able to extend our hands to withered hands.

Thought of the day

Worship God,do good and save lives

Rev.Sam K.Easow,Trinity MTC,Houston.

Christian Education Forum, Diocese of NAE of the Mar Thoma Church

Have a blessed new week.

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