

### **Worship Service and Lectionary - Sunday, August 20, 2023**

- Malayalam Holy Communion Service at **8:30 AM**
  - Stafford and Missouri City Area will assist the Service.
    - Theme - Holy Qurbana: Reformation Sunday, Life: To be Reformed through the Word of God.
    - Lesson 1: 2 Kings 23:1-6
    - Lesson 2: 1 John 2:14-17
    - Epistle: Hebrews 4:12-13
    - Gospel: Luke 8:9-15
  - English Divine Service at **11:30 AM**

### **Fasting Prayer Meeting**

- Friday, August 18, 2023, at 9:30 AM
  - Stafford Parsonage
  - Trinity Mar Thoma Church


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#### **Prayer Meetings with Achens who Served Trinity in the past**

- We have a goal to include all Achens who have served our Parish in prayer meetings during our Golden Jubilee year.
- These meetings on Zoom are being organized by our Trinity Achens along with 50<sup>th</sup> year Jubilee Committee.
- Area prayer groups will take the lead in these special prayer meetings
- All Parish members are requested to attend.
- Speaker Rev. Dr. T. J. Thomas
- Date: Friday, August 18, 2023
- Time: 7:30 PM CST (and 6 AM ISD)
- *Zoom details:*
  - Meeting ID: 440 320 308, Passcode: 2222
  - Alief Sugar Land Area will lead the prayer
  - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/440320308?pwd=NmhBVnVhcnRKOuKxUE9hSGRyYXFfUT09>

## Organizational Announcements

- Sunday School



**TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL  
Teacher Workshop and Meeting**

Sunday, August 27, 2023  
Immediately after SS Classes  
11:30 AM

- 01 Teacher Team Building Activity**
  - Welcome all new TMCSS Teachers
  - Get to know all old TMCSS Teachers
- 02 Tips and Tricks to Teaching**
  - Strategies to make a deeper, longer lasting impacting in your SS ministry
- 03 Upcoming Events**
  - Outreach opportunities
  - Christmas Program--Coordinators
- 04 Lunch**
  - Delicious
  - And Nutritious

- **Yuvajana Sakhyam**



60% of questions will be from the Book of Jeremiah and Gospel according to Saint Mark, 20% from General Bible questions, and 20% from Church History.

For more information

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The Yuvajana Sakyam Southwest Region Conference and Kalamela will be held on September 30th at Immanuel Mar Thoma Church in Houston.

- The Kalamela will feature various competitions, including solo performances, group song competitions, elocution, Bible reading, painting, and essay writing in both English and Malayalam.
- To participate in individual competition, there will be a charge of \$10.
- For group competitions, the fee is \$20 per team.
- The registration fee for the conference is \$30.
- For any inquiries or further information, please contact Yuvajana Sakyam office bearers.

- **Sevika Sanghom**

- **Bake Sale**

- Please support the Sevika Sanghom bake sale on Sunday, August 20th.

- We will serve Pothichore freshly prepared by our members. Help by making donations, sponsoring food items, and purchasing delicious food. Place your order in advance with one of the Sevika Sanghom committee members to ensure adequate quantities are prepared.

- All proceeds will go to the Sevika Sanghom charity fund.

- **Cottage Prayer**

- Please attend the next cottage prayer meeting on Thursday, August 17, at 10 AM, at the residence of Mrs. Valsa Mathew (in Pearland). All Sevika Sanghom members are invited to attend.

- **Edavaka Mission**

- **Medical Assistance Request**

- We have a request to assist a 22-year-old car accident victim from Vadavathoor, Kottayam.
  - ₹22 lakh (~\$27k) is needed for his care.
  - Rev. Gorge Kuruvilla from St. Stephens Mar Thoma Church, Vadavathoor has endorsed the request. Any help would be appreciated.
  - See Edavaka Mission treasurer (Mr. Babu T. George) for details.

- **MTVEA Southwest Region Center B Prayer Meeting**

- The MTVEA Southwest Region, Center B prayer meeting will be held on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 7:30 PM via zoom.
  - Rev. Dennis Abraham Vicar, Austin Mar Thoma Church will give message.
  - Please plan to attend.

Zoom Meeting ID: 440 320 308, Passcode: 2222

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- **Senior Fellowship**

- Senior Fellowship meeting is scheduled at Trinity Mar Thoma Church on Thursday, August 24, 2023, at 10 AM.

- Bible Quiz topic – Revelation Chapters 15 and 16

- All members are requested to attend.

### Light to Life Mission Project

- We are planning to collect sponsorships for the Light to Life Mission Project.
- \$240 to sponsor One Child in 2024.
- Please make the check payable to “Trinity Mar Thoma Church” and write “Light to Life” in the memo with your ID Number.
- For more details, please contact Mr. Jojy Jacob or Mr. Shawn Varghese, Coordinators for Light to Life Mission Project, from our Parish.

[A 2-page general overview of the Light to Life Mission Project is attached.]



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- We invite you to participate in the auction for the Trinity Mar Thoma Church Organ on Sunday, August 20th, following the Holy Communion Service.
  - Please plan to attend and participate in the auction.





## PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

- We will be starting the task of updating the Parish Directory next Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The goal is to take pictures of all families by November (Thanksgiving time) and distribute the new parish directory in Q1 2024.
- A few Trinity photographers, led by Mr. Joseph Varghese (Rajan), will take pictures following Church Services on Sundays in the fellowship hall.
  - If you have picture taking skills, please volunteer to help.
- We need a few families to help start the effort next Sunday.
- Please contact [Shajan George](#) or [Reji George](#) for additional details.



### Condolences

**Mr. E. M. John** (76) received the heavenly call on Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, in Bangalore.

- He is the brother of Mr. E. M. Thomas from Pearland East prayer group.
- The funeral was held on Friday, August 11th, at St. Johns Mar Thoma Church, Bangalore
- On behalf of Trinity Mar Thoma Church, we extend heartfelt condolences to the grieving family.
- May God comfort all family members and friends with Divine peace. Please continue to uphold all family members and friends in your prayers.

### ■ Offertory - Sunday, August 6: \$ 3,308

- General: \$1,931
- Birthday: \$1,127
- Wedding Anniversary: \$250
- Join us for snacks in the Fellowship Hall
  - Happy 5<sup>th</sup> birthday to Amelia Maria Raj!
  - Snacks donated by P. T. Varghese and [Aleyamma Varghese](#).
- Please continue to pray for our Trinity Parish and all our Golden Jubilee Programs over the next year.
- Have a wonderful new week!



Trinity Mar Thoma Church, Houston, Texas  
August 13, 2023 – Announcements

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