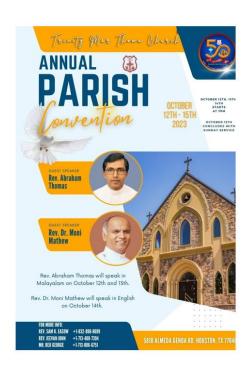
- Thank you to our excellent Trinity Parish Convention Speakers - Rev. Abraham Thomas & Rev. Dr. Moni Mathew.
- Thank you to all who helped with arrangements:
 - Sam Achen, Jeevan Achen & Oommen Samuel Achen
 - · Trinity Choir
 - Lay Leaders & AV Ministry
 - Youth Fellowship, Young Family Fellowship, and Sunday School
 - Mr. John Chacko (food arrangements)
 - Office Bearers and Executive Committee members
- Thank you to All Attendees!



Worship Service and Lectionary - Sunday, October 22, 2023

- English Holy Communion Service at 8:30 AM
 - Executive Committee members will *assist* the Service.
 - Theme: Family and the expression of the Kingdom of God
 - Lesson 1: Joshua 24:14-22
 - Lesson 2: Acts 10:1-8
 - Epistle: Ephesians 5:21-33
 - Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Fasting Prayer Meeting

- Friday, October 20, 2023, at 9:30 AM
 - Trinity Mar Thoma Church
 - Stafford Parsonage

Organizational Announcements

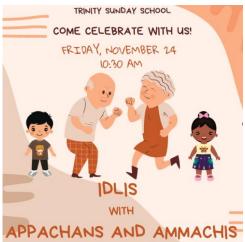
- Sunday School Christmas Musical
- Dates for our upcoming rehearsals:
 - Today, October 15th, after English Divine Service
 - Next Sunday, October 22nd, after Sunday School classes
 - Note: lunch will not be provided; bake sale arranged both Sundays
- We have already emailed important details regarding access to script and audio files. Please
 continue to look for email communications from TMC Christmas
 (trinitymtcchristmas@gmail.com) for important details.

Sunday School

- Sunday School is hosting a Movie Night on Saturday, November 4, at Trinity.
- Please join us for a night of cozy movie watching with your SS teachers and friends.
 - All attendees must sign up will send the form soon!



- Calling on all our Senior members to Sunday School Celebration.
- We will be having Idli's with Appachans and Ammachis on Friday, November 24th, at 10:30 AM!! Save the date!!



• Youth Fellowship



YF will be having a fall bake sale October 22 to help fundraise for Regional Retreat! We have a fundraising goal of \$8,000, so come buy some lunch before play practice or going to see Thirumeni. Please let Shawn Varghese know if you would like to sponsor any food items! Thank you!!

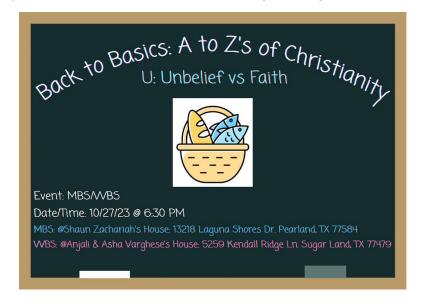
The Youth Fellowship has created a prayer sign-up list to pray for the upcoming Youth Fellowship Regional Retreat our parish will be hosting from November 17-19, 2023. We encourage everyone to sign up for at least one time-slot per week to personally pray for the retreat and the youth of our parish as they face many challenges in this world. The sign up list will be sent out in the global email.

Link to sign-up for prayer slot: https://tinyurl.com/tmcyfretreatprayer

Please also join in weekly on Wednesdays at 8 PM from 10/11/23 to 11/15/23 to spend some time together in prayer via conference call for various aspects of the retreat. The phone number to dial in is (607)-374-1149 and the access code is 571855#.



We will be having Men's and Women's Bible Study October 27 at 6:30 PM and talking about Unbelief vs Faith in God. MBS will be at Shaun Zachariah's house at 13218 Laguna Shores Dr. Pearland, TX 77584. WBS will be at Anjali and Asha's house at 5259 Kendall Ridge Ln. Sugar Land, TX 77459.



Registration for the SWRYF Regional Retreat is still open. It will be November 17-19 at Latham Springs Camp and Retreat Center in Aquilla, TX (near Waco). This is open for all our youth ages 12-35. The theme will be Witness: Live in Faith with Jaisen Achen as our main speaker. The retreat will start at the campsite with registration Friday evening and end with Sunday service at the camp.

We are planning to leave from Trinity by 4 PM that Friday night, so please plan accordingly!

Also, we are EXTENDING the early registration deadline to this Wednesday night, October 18th. The fee is \$110 if you sign-up by Wednesday. Late registration of \$125 ends this Friday October 20th for a guaranteed souvenir and spot on the bus! If you're planning on coming and haven't signed up, sign up ASAP as we have to finalize transportation and materials. Thanks!

• Sevika Sanghom

- The 2023 Kalamela of the Southwest Region Center B Suvishesha Sevika Sanghom will be held on Saturday, November 11, from 8 AM – 4 PM, at St. Thomas Mar Thoma Church, Houston.
- Competitions: (1) Singing (Solo) English and Malayalam, (2) Bible Reading English and Malayalam, (3) Elocution English and Malayalam, and (4) Bible Quiz
- Competitions will be conducted in three age categories.
 - Group A: 18-30; Group B: 31-55; Group C: 56 and above



(See attached document for additional details.)

Suvishesha Sevika Sanghom Essay Competition



(See attached document for additional details.)

SEVIKA SANGHOM INTRAMURAL COMPETITION - 10/7/23

Our TMC Sevika <u>Sanghom</u> conducted an Intramural Competition on October 7, 2023. We sincerely thank our <u>Achens</u>, participants, Judges, and members. Thank you for your participation in making this event successful.

	Singing		Bible Reading		Elocution	
	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B
1st	Annie <u>Oommen</u>	Mary Varghese	Annie <u>Oommen</u>	Chinnamma John	Annie Zachariah	Rachel Abraham
2 nd	Rekha Abraham	Anna Thomas	Rekha Abraham	Deenamma Mathew		
3 rd		Valsa Abraham		Achamma Chacko		

Breast Cancer Awareness

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. We have several survivors at Trinity Mar Thoma Church and we encourage you to wear pink clothing or accessories to show your support for breast cancer survivors.

Yuvajana Sakhyam

Kaazhcha 2023 - Gift of Eyesight

Commitment to provide free Cataract Surgery for up to 100 Patients.

Eligible patients will be selected based on the medical requirements.

Expected per patient cost for surgery: ~ \$150.

Fundraising evening will be organized at the Stafford Civic Center on Saturday, November 25, 2023, at 4 PM - with a 2-hour Cultural event with performances by select church members/guests including a special Dance performance by Renowned Actress and Dancer Divya Unni. 650 Tickets will be available for purchase with prices ranging from \$20, \$25, and \$50 per person.

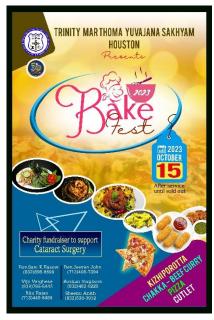
- Donations are welcome along with sponsorship for the event.
- Please support us by buying tickets to the event along with/or signing up to sponsor cataract surgery.
- If you are interested in performing at the event (subject to audition and approval by the organizing committee) or would like more information please contact Rev Sam K Easow, Rev Jeevan John, Viju Varghese, Riju Rajan, Roshen Varghese or Sheenu Anith.



Yuvajana Sakhyam is organizing a bake sale today - Sunday, October 15, following the Holy Communion Service. The funds from the bake sale will be used to support commitment to provide free cataract surgeries.

Please support us with your generous contributions.











• Edavaka Mission

The MTVEA South West Region Monthly prayer meeting will be held on Monday October 16th, 2023 at 7:30 pm via zoom. ZOOM ID 799 998 2537 https://zoom.us/j/7999982537

Message Rev. Abraham Kuruvilla

(Vicar, Lubbock Emmanuel Mar Thoma Church and Crossway MTC Dallas)

Edavaka Mission General Body meeting.

The General Body meeting of the Trinity Mar Thoma Church Edavaka mission will be held on October 24th Tuesday immediately after the cottage prayer meeting at the residence of Mr. & Mrs. V.P. Mathew, 3838 Parkside, Missouri City, Tx 77459. All Edavaka Mission members are requested to attend.

Agenda:

- 1. Election of Office Bearers, Area Committee Members and Auditors for the year 2024.
- 2. AOB with the permission of the Chair.

For and on behalf of the Committee Secretary - Abraham Idiculla

• Choir

The Trinity Marthoma Church Choir invites all committed members of the Trinity Parish to join the English Choir.

An audition is scheduled on Saturday October 21st, 2023, at 9 AM.

Members of the parish ages 9 and above can audition. Prospective singers must be able to commit to rehearsal schedules and Sunday Holy Communion Services.

All interested church members are required to sing the below mentioned songs.

Hymnal # 461 He Leadeth Me

Hymnal # 262 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

The candidate shall sing one of these songs (first 2 stanzas) as per the decision of the judges and sing an additional song of his/her choice from Church Worship hymnals.

Those who are interested please email their names to tmcchoir2023@gmail.com on or before October 18th, 2023.

See announcement email for more details.

• Senior Fellowship

Senior Fellowship meeting scheduled at Trinity on Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 10:00 AM. Bible Quiz topic – Revelation Chapters 19 and 20 All members are requested to attend.

Light to Life Mission Project

- We have started to collect sponsorships for the Light to Life Mission Project.
- \$240 to sponsor One Child in 2024.
 - o Please make the check payable to "Trinity Mar Thoma Church" and write "Light to Life" in the memo with your ID Number.
 - O You can also make the payment using Zelle (mobile number: 346-520-4916; enter in the first name space, "TMC" & in the last name space "ACCOUNTS").
- For more details, please contact Mr. Jojy Jacob, Mr. Shawn Varghese, or Mr. T. A. Mathew.

Parish Directory Update

The Trinity Parish Directory is getting updated for distribution in Q1 2024.

We need assistance with updating your information. This includes changes to home address, email address, phone number(s), and family member names.

In addition, we need your new family picture.

- A few Trinity photographers, led by Mr. Joseph Varghese (Rajan), are available to take pictures following Church Services on Sundays in the room next to the sanctuary.
- If you prefer to use your own picture for the directory update, use this link: https://directory.trinitymtc.org/
- Another option is to send an email with your family picture attached to directory@trinitymtc.org

Revisions to your address and other information, if needed, can be made using the same link (https://directory.trinitymtc.org/) or by sending an email (to directory@trinitymtc.org/) listing required changes.

We are also working on a printed form option to update the Parish Directory. More details will be shared on Sunday, October 22.

Contact your Prayer Group Leader, Shajan George or Reji George for assistance with this effort or if you have follow-up questions.

Trinity Mar Thoma Church Jubilee Year Family Conference

- Thank you to all who registered for the Trinity Jubilee Family Conference in May 2024.
- Those who registered are requested to make the \$150 advance payment.
- Contact Jojy Jacob for follow-up questions.

Trinity Mar Thoma Chuch - General Body Member List

The member list is posted in the Fellowship Hall. Please review the list and notify our Vicar – Rev. Sam K. Easow, of any changes by Sunday, October 15, 2023.



COMBINED FAREWELL MEETING RT. REV. DR. ISAAC MAR PHILOXENOS EPISCOPA

- A Farewell meeting for our Diocesan Bishop Rt. Rev.
 Dr. Isaac Mar <u>Philoxenos Episcopa</u>, is arranged for Sunday, October 22nd, at Immanuel Mar <u>Thoma</u> Church.
- This combined (St. Thomas MTC, Trinity MTC & Immanuel MTC) meeting will be held around 12 Noon, following the Immanuel Mar <u>Thoma</u> Church Parish Day program.
- Trinity Parish members are requested to attend this farewell meeting for Rt. Rev. Dr. Isaac Mar <u>Philoxenos</u> <u>Episcopa</u>.



<u>Inter Prayer Group Bible Quiz</u> will be held on:

Sunday, November 12, @ 3 PM. Note the revised date and time for the Bible Quiz.



Offertory - Sunday, October 8: \$ 2,923

General: \$ 1,240Birthday: \$ 1,483

• Wedding Anniversary: \$ 200

Harvest Festival payments:

Please remember to settle auction related and other payments. See email from our Trustees for amount due.

Contact our Trustees if you can sponsor Sunday snacks.

Pray for our Trinity Parish and all Golden Jubilee Programs over the next year. Have a wonderful new week.

Sincerely,

Reji George **TMC Secretary** Phone: 713-806-6751

Email: Reji.George@yahoo.com

