## ST. ANDREWS MAR THOMA CHURCH

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Sunday School: 9:00 a.m. Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
JUNE 2024

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#### VICAR'S MESSAGE

Greetings in the name of Lord Jesus Christ,

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

We enter in the month of June with great pleasure and gratitude. God Almighty protect us in all the painful and difficult situations. God provides us one more month in our life to witness Christ. God guides us to shows light in the darkness of our surroundings.

The month of June is a significant month for many reasons including observations and other events. June is the month with the longest daylight hours of the year in the Northern Hemisphere, and conversely, June has ancient Roman origins, coming from the Latin word Junis. The month of June is known as the time schools let out for the summer. June also plays host to the ever - important national holidays of Father's Day and Juneteenth.

As per the Liturgy of Mar Thoma Church we meditate the themes for following Sundays.

First Sunday we are meditate Education that leads to wisdom.
Second Sunday - the theme is Integrity of whole creation in Christ.
Third Sunday we meditate - Call and Commission to be Christs Disciples.
Fourth Sunday - the theme is Discipleship - the call to bear cross.
Fifth Sunday we meditate the theme is the glorious appearance of Jesus Christ and the disciples who need to be vigilant.

The month of June we are planning the Church Retreat. We may pray for blessings for the retreat. Let's pray to the Lord Almighty for guidance and strength. to live the difficult situations. God blesses all of us in the coming days. May I wish prayers and blessings to all.

Yours in His service,

Jose Achen.

#### YOUTH CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

Glory be to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit - One True God!

Beloved family in Christ, I write to you with a heart full of love and a message of hope.

By God's grace, we have concluded these past months with the remembrances of the feasts of Easter, Ascension and Pentecost! And what a beautiful journey it has been. These days and the days leading, we were able to meditate on the Word of God daily, strengthen our prayer life by setting aside dedicated time for prayer, and we did the will of God by being obedient to His example through our help in the community.

As we move past these special days, let's keep uniting our minds and bodies to draw closer to God by remembering and glorifying our love for God through our words, thoughts, and actions. These efforts are crucial for our spiritual growth as we continue to be His children in our journeys in life. Today, and in the coming days, we should ask ourselves a simple question: Does my God know me by my "works of the flesh" or the "fruit of the Spirit"?

Our faith must be integrated into our lives; it's not just for Sunday or the trials and celebrations we experience - but every day. Family, we are a community of believers who have been blessed and called to lend a helping hand—and stand with those facing challenges and sorrows. Remember, these earnest efforts are an important aspect of our Christian heritage, and commitment is meant not to glorify the self but God alone, who, through his love for us, came and touched each one of us with true and everlasting peace.

In 1963, Bill Gaither wrote a wonderful hymn, "He Touched Me," which reads.

"Shackled by a heavy burden,

Neath, a load of guilt and shame

then the hand of Jesus touched me,

and I am no longer the same

Since I met this blessed Saviour,

Since He cleansed and made me whole,

I will never cease to praise Him

I'll shout it while eternity rolls

He touched me, Oh He touched me,

and oh, the joy that floods my soul

something happened, and now I know,

He touched me and made me whole."

Let's always remember that we've all been touched by Christ and we are all they better because of it. Therefore, let's fully commit to developing a closer connection with God, walking alongside Him, and allowing the Holy Spirit to guide our lifestyles.

God Bless us all!

Yours in His Ministry,

JVarghese Achen +15165326115 mtcnychaplain@gmail.com

#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

| DATE                  | SERVICE                          | TIME        |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------|
| June 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Malayalam Holy Communion Service | 10:00a.m.   |
| June 9th              | English Holy Communion Service   | 10: 00 a.m. |
| June 16 <sup>th</sup> | Malayalam Holy Communion Service | 10:00 a.m.  |
| June 23 <sup>rd</sup> | English Holy Communion Service   | 10:00 a.m.  |
| June 30 <sup>th</sup> | Divine Malayalam Service         | 10:00 a.m.  |
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## **LECTIONARY**

| DATE                  | Lessons            | Epistle/Gospel |
|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| June 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | 1Kgs 3:3-14        | Eph 5:9-17     |
|                       | Jas 3:13-18        | Matt 7:21-27   |
| June 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Isa 65:17-25       | Rom 8:18-25    |
|                       | Rev 21:1-8         | John 3:16-21   |
| June 16 <sup>th</sup> | Jer 1:1-12         | Acts 9:10-17   |
|                       | 2Cor 4:1-6         | Matt 4:17-22   |
| June 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Dan 6:10-23        | Col 1:24-29    |
|                       | 2Cor 6:1-10        | Luke 9:23-27   |
| June 30 <sup>th</sup> | Mal 3:13-18, 4:1-2 | 1Thess 4:13-18 |
|                       | Acts 1:6-11        | Matt 24:42-51  |

| BIRTHDAYS |                                |          |                               |
|-----------|--------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|
| DATE      | NAME                           | DATE     | NAME                          |
| 06/01     | Mr. Aaron Shibu John           | 06/16    | Ma. Aaron Abraham             |
| 06/01     | Mr. John Kunjukunju            | 06/17    | Mr. Blesson Thomas            |
| 06/03     | Mrs. Susamma Jacob             | 06/18    | Mr. Jogi Peter                |
| 06/04     | Mr. Lukose Yohannan            | 06/19    | Mrs. Ammini Varghese          |
| 06/05     | Mrs. Annamma Abraham           | 06/20    | Taniya Manalil                |
| 06/05     | Dr. George Samuel              | 06/21    | Ms. Isabella Prasad           |
| 06/10     | Mr. Roshen Varghese            | 06/22    | Ms. Janice Peter              |
| 06/11     | Dr. Priji Joseph               | 06/22    | Dr. Bivin Varghese            |
| 06/11     | Mr. Ron Chalunkal              | 06/24    | Ms. Shilu Abraham             |
| 06/13     | Mr. Chacko P. Thomas           | 06/26    | Mrs. Raji Varghese            |
| 06/14     | Ma. Aaron Mathews              | 06/27    | Mr. Nijin Mathew              |
| 06/14     | Mr. Josh Jacob                 | 06/28    | Ma. Stanley Abraham           |
| 06/15     | Ms. Rachel Varghese            | 06/29    | Mrs. Sosamma Chacko           |
| 06/15     | Mr. Satish Thomas              | 06/30    | Ma. Emmanuel A. George        |
|           | Wedding                        | Annivers | ary                           |
| 06/02     | Mrs. & Mr. Jeath C. Ramacha    | 06/12    | Mrs. & Mr. Anish Chacko       |
| 06/04     | Mrs. & Mr. Philip E. Samuel    | 06/15    | Mrs. & Mr. George E. Varghese |
| 06/06     | Mrs. & Mr. Jacob Mathew Sr.    | 06/24    | Mrs. & Mr. Jebin Yohannan     |
| 06/09     | Mrs. & Mr. John Kunjukunju     | 06/25    | Mrs. & Mr. Abey Varghese      |
| 06/11     | Mrs. & Mr. Benny Mathew        | 06/30    | Mrs. & Mr. Mathews Koshy      |
| 06/11     | Mrs. & Mr. Thomas P. Varughese |          |                               |

#### **PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS**

| <b>Event</b>       | Date/Time                          | Venue/Residence |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Saturday with SAYF | June 1 <sup>st</sup> @ 6:30 p.m.   | St. Andrews MTC |
| Sunday School Trip | June 15 <sup>th</sup> @ 11:00 a.m. | Lake Compounce  |
| Sevika Sanghom     | June 24 <sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 a.m  | St. Andrews MTC |
| Prayer Meeting     |                                    | Parsonage       |
| Talent Fest        | June 22 <sup>nd</sup> @ 10:00 a.m. | St. Andrews MTC |
| Church Retreat     | June 27-30th                       |                 |

# On behalf of St. Andrews MTC executive Committee, I wish all the Father's Happy Father's Day!

