## ST. ANDREWS MAR THOMA CHURCH

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Worship Service: 10:00 a.m.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER JULY 2024

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#### VICAR'S MESSAGE

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ

Dearly Beloved in Christ,

God Almighty given us lot of opportunities to live His will. Our parish family retreat done very well. Thank the Lord for the coordinators, especially the chief guest Rev. Moni Mathew. Thank Lord for those who participate in the family retreat. We are planning to arrange the VBS this month 17th to 20th. Our youth chaplain Jaison Varghese Achen will lead all the secessions. I request our Kids participation. enjoy the VBS meaningful. I request your co-operation and participation of all the activities of the Church.

This month we meditate the themes as per the lectionary of our Church is First Sunday - Giving from the heart.

Second Sunday- Priests, Servants in pastoral. Ministry.

Third Sunday - People of God -Co-workers in building up the kingdom of God. Forth Sunday-Gifts of the Holy Spirit- for the spiritual nourishment of the people of God.

We are the faith community to bear witness for Christ. We live and walk with the path that Lord Almighty show to us. May the God bless each one of us. To present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. which is your spiritual worship.

May God bless us all,

Yours in Christ,

Jose Achen.

#### YOUTH CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

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

Beloved family in Christ,

The recently concluded sacred Apostles' fast holds significant importance in our spiritual journey. It serves as a period of deep reflection and preparation, allowing us to delve deeper into our discipleship and relationship with God.

This time of contemplation has allowed us to appreciate the profound reasons for our journey in the temporal world - our own blessed purpose and as the Church.

On the eve of His precious passion, Jesus prayed as high priest when his disciples were with him. This prayer, recorded in St. John 17:11, is a powerful testament to Jesus' mission and his desire for unity among his followers. "...Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. (St. John 17:11).Jesus' prayer was not just for His disciples but for all who believe in Him.

The prayer underscores the vital role of unity and community in our faith. Jesus was sent with a purpose, a mission of love to free us from sin, despair, demise, and dread. Christ saw glory in the cross rather than shame. Jesus did not rely on His earthly resources and strength to accomplish His Father's will. Rather, He trusted His Father to give Him strength, courage, and perseverance in facing antagonism, difficulties, and enticement. We must take up our cross and pursue wherever He calls us (St. Luke 9:23). The Holy Spirit, whom Jesus promised to send, will give us the strength and power to live as his disciples.

Each of us has a unique role to play in God's plan. He has created us for a specific purpose, a work that He has not entrusted to another. This service could be as simple as showing love and kindness to those around us, or as complex as dedicating our lives to a specific cause that aligns with God's values. It could involve teaching, healing, advocating for justice, or any other act that reflects God's love and values in the world. It is our responsibility to discover and fulfil that role, and in doing so, we can live a purposeful life in accordance with our Christian beliefs.

We have our mission; He has not created us for nothing. We aim to spread Christ's love and teachings, be a light in the world, and bring others closer to God.

Do we truly trust in God and His call and purpose for our life? We can discern God's call and purpose through prayer, Scripture reflection, and seeking His divine guidance from spiritual mentors. Trusting in God's call and purpose can bring us closer to Him and give us the strength and courage to fulfill our mission.

God be with you all

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#### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

DATE	SERVICE	TIME
July 7th	Malayalam Holy Communion Service	10:00a.m.
July 14th	English Holy Communion Service	10: 00 a.m.
July 21st	Malayalam Holy Communion Service	10:00 a.m.
July 28 <sup>th</sup>	English Holy Communion Service	10:00 a.m.

#### **LECTIONARY**

DATE	Lessons	<b>Epistle/Gospel</b>
July 7 <sup>th</sup>	1Chr 29:10-18	Phil 4:10-20
	Acts 5:1-11	Luke 16:19-31
July 14 <sup>th</sup>	Ezek 33:1-9	1Pet 5:1-7
	2Tim 2:1-13	John 10:1-11
July 21 <sup>st</sup>	Exod 19:1-6	Rom 14:13-19
	1John 4:7-21	Luke 10:25-37
July 28th	2Chr 15:1-8	1Cor 12:27-31
	1Cor 12:4-12	John 20:19-23

#### BIRTHDAYS

DATE	NAME	DATE	NAME
07/01	Mr. Reny Samuel	07/20	Ms. Heavena S. Mathew
07/02	Ma. Jairus Philip Jacob	07/22	Ms. Silpa Thomas
07/02	Ms. Daniele Mary George	07/24	Ms. Alia Grace Varghese
07/03	Dr. Elsey Rajesh	07/26	Mrs. Ancy Jacob
07/05	Mr. Sweetin Cherian	07/27	Mrs. Sheeba Manoj
07/05	Mrs. Bindu Peter	07/27	Mrs. Suja Abraham
07/08	Ma. Johan Mathew Jean	07/28	Mrs. Leelamma Prakash
07/09	Ms. Angitha S. Mathew	07/29	Ms. Jeslyn Jacob
07/14	Mss. Merin sunny	07/30	Ms. Sara Abraham
07/14	Ma. Jake Jacob	07/31	Mr. Benny Mathew
07/15	Ma. Jayden Thomas	07/31	Mr. Akshay Oommen
07/17	Ma. Ryan varghese		
	Wedding	Annivers	ary
07/02	Mrs. & Mr. Koshy P. Jacob	07/20	Mrs. & Mr. Justin Daniel
07/05	Mrs. & Dr. Bivin Varghese	07/26	Mrs. & Mr. Manoj Pazhookudi
07/12	Mrs. & Mr. Chacko P. Thomas	07/30	Mrs. & Mr. Reji Peter
07/18	Mrs. & Mr. Thomas K. Chacko		

#### **PROGRAMS AND MEETINGS**

Event	Date/Time	Venue/Residence
Sevika Sangham Prayer Meeting	July 16 <sup>th</sup> @ 10:30 a.m.	Mrs. Thankamma Samuel 8 Lucille Drive
v G		Syosset, NY 11791
Sunday School VBS	July 17 <sup>th</sup> – 19th @ 5: 30p.m – 8:00 p.m. July 20 <sup>th</sup> : 9:30a.m. to 1:00 p.m.	St. Andrews MTC

# On behalf of St. Andrews MTC Executive Committee, I congratulate all the graduates! Congrats and God Bless!

#### Year Plan for 2024

•	VBS	July 17-20, 2024
•	Church Picnic	July 27, 2024
•	Family Night	August 31, 2024
•	Sevikha Sangham day	September 8, 2024
•	Student dedication day	September 1, 2024
•	Special Offertory	September 15, 2024
•	Senior Citizen & Edavaka Mission One Day Retreat	September 14, 2024

•	Senior Citizen Day	<b>September 15, 2024</b>
•	Edavaka Mission Sunday	October 6, 2024
•	Church Convention	October 18-20, 2024
•	Youth Sunday	October 20, 2024
•	Family Sunday (One Day Income)	October 27, 2024
•	World Sunday School Day	November 3, 2024
•	Parish Day	November 10, 2024
•	Thanksgiving	<b>December 1, 2024</b>
•	Carol Rounds	December 7 <sup>th</sup> , 8 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> &15 <sup>th</sup>
•	Christmas Carol Service	December 21, 2024
•	Christmas Service @ 9:00 a.m.	December 25, 2024
•	Watch Night Service @ 9: 30 p.m.	December 31, 2024
•	Family Retreat 2025	

### Have a great summer with your family!