

## "Weekly Digest - 01/18/2019 "

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**Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019**



The graphic features a central photograph of the Chicago Mar Thoma Church, a light-colored stone building with a prominent steeple. To the left of the church is a red shield-shaped logo with a cross and the words "LIGHTED TO LIGHTEN". Below the church photo are two portrait photographs of clergy members. The text "CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH" is at the top, followed by the address "240 Potter Road Des Plaines, IL - 60016" and the website "www.chicagomarthoma.org". The words "WEEKLY DIGEST" are written in a large, stylized font across the middle of the church photo.

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**WEEKLY DIGEST**

**Rev. Shiby Varughese P**  
Vicar

**Rev. George Varghese**  
Assistant Vicar

**Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January 2019**

**07:30 am - Divine Service in ENGLISH**

**08:50 am - Sunday School**

**10:30 am - Holy Qurbana in MALAYALAM**

"Church as One Body - Ecumenical Sunday"- CH 407

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|------------------------|----------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson | Deut 4: 1-10   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson | 1 Cor 1: 10-18 |
| Epistle                | Eph 3: 1-7     |
| Gospel                 | John 15: 1-12  |

# CHURCH PRAYER MEETING

*Praying for the Church • Community • World*

## EDAVAKA MISSION / SEVIKHA SANGHOM BIBLE STUDY

| DATE   | NAME & ADDRESS  | TIME            | REGION   |
|--|---|-----------------|----------|
| <b>23<sup>rd</sup> January<br/>Wednesday</b> | Mr. Philipose C. Thomas &<br>Mrs. Jessy Philipose<br>1705 Independence Ct,<br>Mount Prospect, IL – 60056.<br>Ph. 847-298-8038 | <b>07:00 PM</b> | <b>C</b> |

## AREA PRAYER MEETINGS

| DATE  | NAME & ADDRESS   | TIME            | AREA     |
|---|--|-----------------|----------|
| <b>19<sup>th</sup> January<br/>Saturday</b> | Mr. Johnson T. Thomas<br>692 Meadow Ct,<br>Des Plaines, IL - 60016<br>Ph. 847-345-3568 | <b>06:30 PM</b> | <b>5</b> |
| <b>27<sup>th</sup> January<br/>Sunday</b>   | Mr. Shinoj M. George<br>@ Church Basement<br>Fellowship Hall<br>Ph. 224-508-3439       | <b>06:30 PM</b> | <b>6</b> |

# PRAYER CELL

JOIN US!

Sunday @ 09:15 am

## INTERCESSORY PRAYER

MINISTRY



Every Thursday @ 09:00 pm via Teleconference

Phone # +1-641 715 0700 Access Code 872060#

PRAYER  
CHANGES THINGS  
STARTING WITH THE ONE WHO PRAYS

# KIDS

Ministry

## Welcome

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> January – 07:00 pm

Area 6 through Area 11

@ Residence of Alona and Amal

627 Jon Lane, Des Plaines, IL – 60016

Ph: + 1 (847) 644 – 2083



Let the little children  
come to me.

## **SECRETARY's DESK**

Sabha has set apart this Sunday as **Ecumenical Sunday; "Christ as One Body"**

If you pull a dollar bill out of your wallet, or a coin from your pocket, and look carefully you will find the Latin words "**E Pluribus Unum**". It is the motto found on the Great Seal of the United States. It was originally chosen in 1776 by a committee of the Continental Congress consisting of Benjamin Franklin, John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, but not adopted officially by Congress until six years later (in 1782). The phrase "**E Pluribus Unum**", of course, means "out of many, one" and refers to the idea that the United States is one nation consisting of several different states. Out of many, one nation. From the many – from the original 13 independent colonies – one united nation. Though we have grown from the original 13 states to the 50 states plus the District of Columbia and other territories today, the vision remains the same: From the many states, and from different races, backgrounds and nations of origin, one united nation.

Apostle Paul could very well have used this motto in **1 Corinthians 12** in his description of the **Church as the Body of Christ**. He uses the physical human body as a metaphor for the church, an analogy to explain how the church is designed to function in the purpose of God.

Several times in this passage Apostle Paul makes the point that though it is made up of many constituent parts and consists of many members, they are all part of one body.

There are three main points about life in the body of Christ that Apostle Paul want us to see from this passage

- **WE NEED EACH OTHER**

The bottom line is this: in the body of Christ, we need each other, not only for the health of the entire body, but to enable each individual member to operate at full potential. It is true in the human body. And it is true in the church, the body of Christ. We need each other. And we belong to each other

- **WE ARE ALL DIFFERENT FROM ONE ANOTHER**



We all differ from one another. We have been designed by God to complement one another

- **WE ARE CALLED TO CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER IN THE BODY**

When one part of the body is hurting or in pain, the whole body feels it. The way we care for one another is by knowing one another and by sharing each other's joys and sorrows. By sharing our hopes and disappointments, hurts and heartaches, victories and struggles. We come alongside one another to support one another and to spur one another on. We love one another. We serve one another.

Let's all together Pray

Father, it's time for the church to be the church. It's time for the revolution of love and fellowship and community. Please begin in our hearts today. With all our heart, Lord, we believe that our church will start fulfilling God's purposes in community and in that, we'll see a new reformation in the church and a new spiritual awakening in our nation. Dear God, forgive us for the times we've felt we didn't need other people in our life. We want to be a part of what you're doing on earth through your family, the church. We want to experience real community. In your name, we pray. Amen.



*"May He give you the desires of your heart and make all your plan succeed" – Psalms 20: 4*

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|-------|-----|-------------------------|
| 01/18 | Ms. | Grace Abraham           |
| 01/18 | Mr. | Abraham Jacob           |
| 01/18 | Mr. | Geno N Mathew           |
| 01/18 | Ms. | Godsy Leboy Thoppil     |
| 01/18 | Mr. | Alvin Thomas            |
| 01/18 | Mr. | Roshen Thomas           |
| 01/19 | Mr. | Raju V. Thomas          |
| 01/19 | Ms. | Elezabeth V. Abraham    |
| 01/19 | Ms. | Rachel Elizabeth Daniel |
| 01/20 | Mr. | Thomas Varghese         |
| 01/20 | Ms. | Suma Varughis           |
| 01/20 | Mr. | Linu Manthanathu Joseph |
| 01/20 | Ms. | Prarthana Baiju         |
| 01/21 | Ms. | Annamma Varghese        |

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| 01/21 | Ms. | Rene Thomas           |
| 01/21 | Mr. | Nithin T. Thomas      |
| 01/22 | Ms. | Suja Mathew           |
| 01/22 | Mr. | Ashley Thomas         |
| 01/22 | Mr. | Evin G. Sam           |
| 01/22 | Mr. | Zachary Mathew George |
| 01/23 | Ms. | Annamma Easo          |
| 01/23 | Ms. | Twinkle Biju Philip   |
| 01/23 | Ms. | Maya Anne Joseph      |
| 01/23 | Mr. | Andrew Noah Sateesh   |
| 01/23 | Ms. | Hannah M. Varughese   |
| 01/24 | Mr. | Joji C. Abraham       |
| 01/24 | Ms. | Jeethu Oommen         |
| 01/24 | Ms. | Leah Anne Varghese    |



*Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him" – Genesis 2: 18*

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| 01/18 | Mr. & Mrs. C V. Varghese                |
| 01/19 | Mr. & Mrs. Philipose Mathew             |
| 01/19 | Mr. & Mrs. Johnson Thomas Thekkeveettil |
| 01/21 | Mr. & Mrs. Varghese Chacko              |
| 01/24 | Mr. & Mrs. Philipose C. Thomas          |

### **Sunday School:**

- Please **REMEMBER** these dates
  - **Sunday School Competition**
    - **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> February'2019**
      - **Deadline to receive registrations Sunday 10 Feb'2019**
      - **Registrations received after the cut-off date will NOT be accepted**
  - **Second Semester Exam**
    - **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April'2019**
      - Teachers please submit Question/Answer Paper by 10<sup>th</sup> March'2019
  - **Diocesan Exam Review**
    - **Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April'2019**
  - **Diocesan Exam**
    - **Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May'2019**

### **Sevikha Sanghom:**

- **Young Women Fellowship**
  - Please join for fellowship/devotion/bible studies/mission works/and for on-line prayer support: please get in touch with Ms. Reba Varghese, Ms. Daisy Mathew and Ms. Jenny Thomas.

### **Edavaka Mission:**

Please **REMEMBER** these events & dates & uphold them in your prayers

- **Lent Prayer Meetings** will be held from **Sunday 17 Mar'2019 - Thursday 11 Apr'2019**. Sign up sheets is available in Basement Notice Board or contact Edavaka Mission Secretary

### **Yuvajana Sakhyam:**

Please **REMEMBER** these events & dates & uphold them in your prayers

- **Annual General Body meeting**
  - **Sunday 3 February 2019** - after Second Service
    - Approve 2018 Annual Report
    - Approve 2018 Accounts and 2019 Budget
    - AoB with prior permission

### **Altar Flowers:**

In case a parishioner is interested in sponsoring Altar Flowers for year 2019 to celebrate special events such as Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries, Graduation etc. or memories of loved ones; please reach out to Lay Leaders to block such dates in advance.

Please call +1-847-401-9021 or +1-224-410-8700

### **Parish Announcements:**

- The following are the Sub-Committees & Conveners for 2018
  - **Audio-Visual** - Mr. Alwin Abraham (Co-Convener)
  - **Food/Picnic** - Mr. Mathew M Mathai (Vinu)
  - **Medical** - Mr. Roy Thomas
  - **Neighborhood Ministry/Local Mission** - Ms. Lexine Varughis
  - **Ushering** - Mr. Sunny Cherian
  - **Family Retreat** - Mr. Eapen P. Chacko (Sunil)
  - **House-to-House Carol** - Mr. Eipe C. Varghese
  - **Maintenance** - Mr. Iype George
  - **Messenger/Website/Media** - Secretary
  - **Charities** - Trustees
  - **Church Facility Usage** - Trustees
  - **Carol Service** - Secretary

- Change of Address or Contact Details – Forms are available at Trustees Office or you can download from the website

CMTC wishes all our Family Members celebrating Birthdays & Marriage Anniversaries this coming week; May the Almighty Lord; "***Bless U & keep U; Smile upon U & be Gracious to U; Show His favor to U & give U His peace***" in the new year & years ahead.

Yours in His Service.

Teji Thomas

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