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Friday March 8th, 2024**Worship Schedule****Sunday March 10th, 2024****Jesus Christ who Liberates (5th
Sunday of Lent)**

വിടുതൽ നൽകുന്ന യേശുക്രിസ്തു (നോമ്പിലെ 5-ആം ഞായർ)

10:30 am - Holy Qurbana (English)

Live Stream Link: https://youtube.com/live/F2xtc5Z_mGA

First Lesson	Exodus 3:1-15
Second Lesson	Acts 27:9-25
Epistle	Philippians 1:12-20
Gospel	Luke 13:10-17

Prayer

Heavenly Father,
Grant us the courage to approach You,
To lay our burdens at Your feet,
And to receive Your loving touch of grace.
In Jesus' name, Amen.

Parish Announcements

Annual Report Book

The 2023 annual report book will be distributed at Church this Sunday, March 10th. Please do collect your family copy and plan to attend the Annual General Body Meeting on Sunday March 17th after the Holy Communion Service. There will only be one service that day at 9am and it will be English Holy Qurbana.

Tuesday Fasting Prayer

Will be held at Church at 10:00 am.

Optional Zoom: Tuesday Fasting Online Prayer

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83634561383?pwd=T21TQ3phbTV1bGgrRldOdkF6MzRiQT09>

Meeting ID: 836 3456 1383

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Wednesday Online Bible Study

The Online Bible Study is on hold until after Easter Sunday. The Bible study will resume on Wednesday April 3rd.

Space for the Future Expansion Project

As per the decision of the general body, the Space for the Future Expansion Project Committee has created a survey. The objective of this survey is to hear the voice of every Chicago Mar Thoma Church General Body Member with the hope that the voices of the under 18 population of our parish can be expressed through the responses of their parents. To ensure accountability, the member name, e-mail, parish account number and area prayer group information are being asked and the Parish looks forward to using the collected data

for follow-up and direction on Space for the Future Project initiatives. Please be assured that your response to this survey is not binding and without any obligation. The survey consists of 7 questions and the link is provided below. It will be open **through Sunday, April 14, 2024**. We encourage all eligible respondents to participate. A help desk will be made available in the lower lobby to assist with those who require assistance.

Questions 1,2,5 & 6 allow you to choose one among the options as a response (Multiple Choice).

Questions 3 & 4 allow multiple options as the response (Check Box).

Question 7 allows a short answer of up to 200 characters.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdOpICDQHht3spu23G1ipTRzWepTxro5oHYuRIZQR_gHVftfw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Golden Jubilee Souvenir

We are inviting articles and messages for our souvenir. Our Golden Jubilee theme is "Passionate Perseverance in Faith, 50 Years & Beyond." The proceeds collected are earmarked for our "Space for the Future Project." Please submit your articles or messages to: cmtcgoldenjubilee@gmail.com

Website:

Please click on the link below to access the Parish Website

<https://chicagomarthoma.org/>

YouTube Page:

Please click on the link below and subscribe to get access to all live stream links.

www.youtube.com/@CMTCAV

Altar Flowers

Please reach out to our Lay Leaders if your family desires to sponsor altar flowers for a week. The cost is \$35.

Happy Birthday

Senju Johnson	03/08	Teena Merin Mathew	03/11
Saramma Abraham	03/08	Annamma Raju	03/11
Rachel Idicula	03/08	Angela E. Koshy	03/11
Jayden Thomas	03/08	John John	03/11
Thomas C. Mathew	03/08	Jayesh Thankachan	03/12
Glenn O Joseph	03/09	Nikhil Abraham Jacob	03/12
Brian Kurien	03/09	Abraham E. Thomas(Jr.)	03/12
Ashley A. Mathew	03/10	Jacob Cherian	03/13
Gracy Cherian	03/10	Sosamma Abraham	03/13
Kevin T. Kurien	03/10	Christine B. Rajan	03/13
Jean Mary John	03/11	Carel Biju Philip	03/14
Chacko Varughese	03/11	Thomas George	03/14

Happy Anniversary

Cherian K. & Rosamma Chacko

03/09

Area & Sub-Organization Events

Area Prayer:

Choir:

English Choir: There will be practice at church on 3/9 from 2pm to 4pm.

Malayalam Choir: There will be practice at church on 3/23 from 2pm to 4pm.

Sunday School:

Sunday School Time: Class will begin at 8:45 am on Sunday, March 10th.

Change of Timing: Sunday March 17 & Sunday March 24
Sunday School will begin at 8:00 am. There will be no Sunday School on Sunday March 31, Easter Sunday

Second Semester Exam: - Sunday April 14

Competitions: Sunday April 28

Memory Verse: During Sunday School Time at 8:45 am
Drawing/Coloring: Immediately after the Holy Communion Service

Diocesan Exam: Sunday May 12 - Time will be announced later

VBS: Wednesday June 12 - Saturday June 15 (registration details will be sent later)

Midwest Region Junior Camp:

Friday July 19 - Sunday July 21 (see flyer below, registration details will be sent later)



Youth Fellowship:

Sevika Sanghom:

Diocesan National Sevika Sanghom Conference: The 21st Diocesan Sevika Sanghom National Conference will be hosted by the Mar Thoma Church of Atlanta on October 3-6, 2024 at the Carmel Mar Thoma Center in Stone Mountain Georgia. The theme of the conference will be: "Live to Leave a Legacy" based on Deuteronomy 6:7. All Sevika Sanghom members are encouraged to attend.

Parish Mission:

Prayer Cell Meeting: The Prayer Cell Meeting will be held during the Sunday School time in the children's room. All are encouraged to join the prayer meeting.

Lent Prayer Meetings: This year's Lent Prayer meetings will be held from Monday, March 4, 2024 to Thursday, March 21, 2024 and Saturday March 23, 2024.

Yuvajana Sakhyam: The 22nd Diocesan Yuvajana Sakhyam National Conference will be held in Mar Thoma Church of Dallas, Farmers Branch from September 26th to September 29th 2024. The conference theme is MOULD : Fashioning Faith Full Future/ വിശ്വാസ തികവുള്ളഭാവം. The DYSNCC is looking for a new logo that can be used for the conference. Please refer to the letter and guidelines for the logo competition posted in the basement bulletin board. The deadline to submit the entry is on March 20th, 2024, 11:59pm CST.

Senior Fellowship: The next Senior Fellowship meeting will be held on Thursday March 21st at 10 am in the basement fellowship hall.

Wisconsin Area Prayer Group (WPG):

Forms:

Change of Address, Subscription, Membership Forms are available at Trustees Office or you can download from the [website](#)

Prayers & Blessings :

On behalf of the parish family, we wish all who are celebrating their birthdays and/or wedding anniversaries the choicest blessings of God Almighty to protect you and guide you in the new year.

" It is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be put to shame in any way, but that by my speaking with all boldness, Christ will be exalted now as always in my body, whether by life or by death. "
-Philippians 1:20

Yours in Christ's Service,

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