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WEEKLY DIGEST



THE CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH

Friday April 10th, 2026

WORSHIP SCHEDULE



CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH

240 Potter Rd, Des Plaines, IL 60016

SUNDAY
APR-12
2026

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എന്റെ കർത്താവും എന്റെ ദൈവവുമേ;
ഉയിർപ്പിനു ശേഷം ഒന്നാം ഞായർ

New Sunday : My Lord and My God;
First Sunday after Resurrection

Malayalam Holy Qurbana @ 7 AM

Holy Communion in English @ 10 AM

First Lesson : Isa 45:21-25

Second Lesson : Rev 1:9-20

Epistle : Col 1:15-20

Gospel : John 20:24-29

[Holy Qurbana \(Malayalam\): Join Live Streaming](#)

[Holy Qurbana \(English\): Join Live Streaming](#)

Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ,

Help us to walk in Your footsteps. Teach us to choose presence over urgency, listening over responding, and to recognize the dignity of every person we encounter.

We ask this for Your glory and for our good.

Amen.

Parish Announcements

Address Change

Parish members are kindly reminded to update their home address whenever they move residences. Each week, we receive 5–6 birthday and wedding anniversary greeting cards returned with the message “Unable to Deliver.”

To help us maintain accurate records, please stop by the Trustees’ Office to pick up an address update form, or download the form from the Parish website, complete it, and email it to the Vicar and Parish Secretary. We will ensure that your address records are promptly updated.

[Parish Forms](#)

Space for the Future Building Project

By the grace of God, we are now entering the city’s hearing process. We humbly request your fervent prayers and support for our “Space for the Future” building project.

We prayerfully encourage every family to extend their most generous financial support through pledges.

Please see the link for the informative video on the Space for the Future Building Project and make your pledge today.

[Space For The Future Informative Video](#)

[Space For The Future Pledge Form](#)

Tuesday Fasting Prayer

Will be held at 10:00 am at Church with optional Zoom

[Tuesday Prayer: Join Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 836 3456 1383

Passcode: 156818

Dial by your location : +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

Meeting ID: 836 3456 1383 | Passcode: 156818

Wednesday Online Bible Study

Will be held via Zoom at 8:00 pm

The weekly Online Bible Study is coordinated on alternate weeks by the Parish Mission and Sevika Sangham.

Please join and be spiritually enriched.

[Wednesday Online Bible Study: Join Zoom Link](#)

Meeting ID: 898 0070 4611

Passcode: 083373

Dial by your location : +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)
Meeting ID: 898 0070 4611 | Passcode: 083373

Call To Be Involved in Ignite Service

We invite our youth members who are gifted in playing musical instruments (piano, guitar, drums, etc.) to prayerfully consider serving in the Ignite Service. If you feel led to be part of this ministry, please share your interest with Remya Kochamma or our English Lay Leader, Steive Thomas.

Creative Services Team

The Parish Executive Committee is pleased to announce the formation of a new subcommittee, the **Creative Service Team**, to support the digital needs of our worship services. We are seeking 2–3 more members who are artistically inclined and have familiarity with digital tools such as Photoshop, Canva, or similar platforms. We warmly encourage Sunday school students, college students, and adults to prayerfully consider joining this ministry. The expected commitment is approximately 1–2 hours per week.

If you feel called to be part of this service, please contact Executive Committee member Mr. Shinoj George or one of the parish office bearers.

Altar Flowers

Families who wish to sponsor altar flowers for a week are kindly requested to contact our Lay Leaders. The cost for sponsorship is \$35. You may prayerfully consider

sponsoring altar flowers in thanksgiving on occasions such as birthdays or wedding anniversaries.

Website

[Parish Website](#)

Forms

[Parish Forms](#)

YouTube

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

[YouTube](#)

Area & Sub-Organization Announcements

Area Prayer Meeting

An Area 10 Prayer Meeting will be hosted by Mrs. Poly Samuel and family on Saturday April 11th at 6:00 pm in the Parish Basement Fellowship Hall. All Area 10 members are warmly requested to attend and participate.

Choir

There will not be English Choir practice this Saturday.

Sunday School

Class : Sunday School will start at 8:40 am this Sunday.

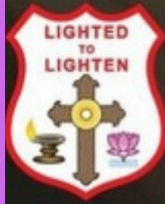
Second Semester Examination: The 2nd Semester Exam will be on April 19th from 8:30 –10:00 am.

Parish Mission

Prayer Cell: To intercede for others, Prayer Cell will be held on Sundays during the Sunday School time in the Children's room. All are invited to join.

Monthly Prayer Meeting: All Area Monthly Prayer Meeting will be held on Sunday, April 19, 2026, 6.30 pm at Church. All Parishioners are encouraged to attend this prayer

Yuvajana Sakhyam



MAR THOMA
YUVAJANA SAKHYAM
DIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA
MIDWEST REGION

2026 Inaugural Event

APRIL 16 || 7:30PM CST || VIA ZOOM

MEETING ID: 728 7862 2326

PASSCODE: 256116



REV. JAMES K JOHN

Guest Speaker

TOPIC: ACTIVATING FAITH IN A DIGITAL WORLD

Send off to
Rev. Santhosh Varughese



Vicar Detroit Mar Thoma Church

REV. BIJU YOHANNAN

President

THOMAS SCARIAH

Vice President

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Secretary

Midwest YS 2026 Inaugural Meeting:
Join Zoom Link

Meeting ID: 728 7862 2326

Passcode: 256116

One Tap Mobile: +13017158592,,72878622326#,,,,
*256116# US
Join by SIP : 72878622326@zoomcrc.com



The poster features a central emblem with a cross and the motto "LIGHTED TO LIGHTEN". Below it, the text "Chicago Mar Thoma Yuvajana Sakhyam" is written in white. The main title "Food Sale" is in a large, yellow, cursive font, with "2026" in white below it. The date "APRIL 19TH SUNDAY" is highlighted in a yellow box. Two thought bubbles contain Malayalam text: "പൊതിച്ചോർ" (Pottichchor) and "വാഴയിലയിൽ മീൻ പൊള്ളിച്ചത്" (Vazhailayil mīn potllichhat). Below these are images of a pottichchor and a fish dish. At the bottom, the Malayalam phrase "'അമ്മ വിളമ്പിയ അഹാരം പോലെ ..!" is written in yellow.

Requesting everyone's prayers and participation.



**CHICAGO MAR THOMA
YUVAJANA SAKHYAM**

Bible QUIZ

**14
JUNE**

**SUNDAY
1:00 PM**

BOOK OF JUDGES (80%)

CHURCH HISTORY (20%)

Organizations
and area
prayer groups
can participate
this year

Register your
team by
17- May-2026

For more information please contact

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Convener
847-287-8036

KEZIAH BYJU
Co-Convener
708-603-8526

Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path - Psalms 119:105

The Yuvajana Sakhyam is planning to host an Inter-Organization Quiz Program on Sunday, June 14, at CMTC Parish, following the Holy Qurbana service.

All Church Organizations and Area Prayer Groups are warmly invited to participate in this event. Each team should consist of 3 members, and the registration fee is \$50 per team

The quiz portions will be : 80% from the Book of Judges and 20% from topics related to the Mar Thoma Church.

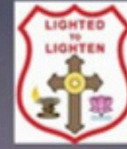
Registration form is available at : <http://ysbiblequiz.chicagomarthoma.org/>

Senior Fellowship

Meeting: The next meeting of the Senior Fellowship will be held at the Church on Thursday, April 16, 2026, at 10:00 am. All seniors are warmly invited to join in this time of bible study, fellowship, and joy.

Mar Thoma Church Diocese of North America

Senior Fellowship



PRAYER MEETING

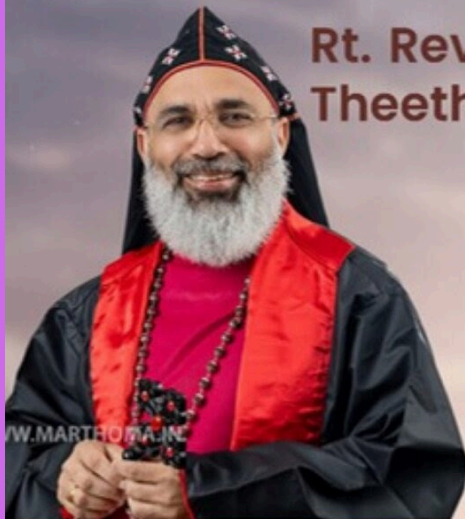
Inauguration of the New Term 2026-29



13 April, Monday 2026

9:00 PM EST

Message:



**Rt. Rev. Dr. Thomas Mar
Theethos Episcopa**



zoom ID: 890 2005 9914 Passcode: prayer

Rt. Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulose Episcopa, President
Rev. Joel S Thomas, Diocesan Secretary
Rev. Gijo M Jacob, Vice President
Dr. Thomas K Jose, Secretary
Mr. Samuel Chacko, Treasurer
Mr. Easaw Maliakal, Assembly Member

Young Women Fellowship

Program Inauguration: The Young Women Fellowship's 2026 program inauguration will be held on Thursday April 16th at 7:00 pm via Zoom. The Speaker is Mrs. Smitha

Rose Mathew (Smitha Kochamma). All Young Women Fellowship members are requested to join.

Young Women's Fellowship Meeting:
Join Zoom Link

Meeting ID: 821 9695 3556 | Passcode: 357776
One tap mobile: +13126266799,,82196953556#,,,,
*357776# US (Chicago)

Diocesan Announcements

Native American Mission



MAR THOMA MISSION BOARD - DIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA
NATIVE AMERICAN MISSION
Planting seeds of faith and hope that will grow for generations.

2026 VBS/BIBLE CAMPS

Join us as we partner with Native American communities across the USA to share God's love through Vacation Bible School/Bible Camps.

Our mission is to walk alongside Native American children and families, offering hope, encouragement, and the life-giving message of Jesus Christ.

Together we seek to serve, learn, and build lasting relationships rooted in Christ's love.

*Come Serve. Come Learn.
Come be part of God's work.*

Scan to Register



Register By: April 1, 2026

Registration will be considered on a first come basis as space is limited.

If You Are Interested in Participating, Please Contact:

Rev. Christopher P. Daniel (Convener) cpdachen@gmail.com 732-754-8131	Mr. O. C. Abraham (Coordinator) ocnirmala@aol.com 302-690-7103
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Mar Thoma Mission Board
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- June 1-5: Oklahoma Bible Camp, Broken Bow, Oklahoma
- June 4-7: Houma Bible Camp, Dulac, Louisiana
- June 10-13: Alabama Bible Camp, Mt. Vernon, Alabama
- June 25-28: Arizona Bible Camp, Fort Defiance, Arizona
- July 12-16: Utah Bible Camp, Bluff, Utah
- July 16-19: New Mexico Bible Camp, Farmington, New Mexico

Prayers & Blessings

To all our dear Parishioners who are celebrating their birthday, wedding anniversary, wishing you a day filled with gratitude for God's faithfulness and a year ahead

overflowing with His blessings. May your hearts remain united in love and strengthened by His presence.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 10-Apr Alice Cherian
10-Apr Abraham John
10-Apr Erin Thankachan
10-Apr Tiju Mathews
10-Apr Rachel Mercy Varghese
11-Apr Mikalaya Sara Vimal
12-Apr Cora Abraham
12-Apr Sibi Mathew
12-Apr Sheeja T. George
12-Apr Jisha R. Varughese
12-Apr Kiran Manapurathu Mathew
13-Apr Mariamma Kurien
13-Apr Jocelyn Rachel Varughese
14-Apr K. M. Joseph
14-Apr Elizabeth Abraham
14-Apr Abraham C. Thomas
14-Apr Mariamma P. Thomas
14-Apr Vijay Titus Thomas
14-Apr Nevin Thomas Alex
15-Apr John K. Thomas
15-Apr Marykutty Philipose
15-Apr Molly P. Chacko
15-Apr Briana Mathew
15-Apr Blesson T. Jacob
15-Apr Elina Susan Varughese
16-Apr P. A. Phillipose



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 04/10 Mr. Biju Philip Neeramplackal
& Mrs. Mini Pulickathottil Mani
04/12 Mr. Alex Thomas & Mrs. Shijy Alex



"Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it. Proverbs 3:27

Prayerfully, Together in His service,

Mr. Monish K. John

Secretary - The Chicago Mar Thoma Church

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