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WEEKLY DIGEST



THE CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH

Friday June 5th, 2026

WORSHIP SCHEDULE



CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH

240 Potter Rd, Des Plaines, IL 60016

**SUNDAY
JUNE 7
2026**

തേജ: ജീവിതത്തിലെ ആത്യന്തിക സ്വാധീനം

Jesus: The Ultimate Influencer

7:30AM | Divine Service

Message
Mr. Stephen Thomas



Holy Qurbana in Malayalam - 10 AM

First Lesson: 2Chr 20: 13-19, Second Lesson: Acts 18:24-28

Epistle: Acts 2:36-41, Gospel: John 8:12-20

IGNITE

Worship Service will be held at
Parish Fellowship Hall @ 10AM

Message
Mr. Teji Thomas



Divine Service (Eng): 07:30 AM

Join Live Streaming

Holy Qurbana (Mal): 10:00 AM

Join Live Streaming

Prayer

Lord Jesus,

The ultimate influencer of hearts and lives, shape our thoughts, words, and actions according to Your will. May Your love inspire us, Your truth guide us, and Your example lead us to reflect Your light in the world. In Your holy and most precious name, we pray.

Amen.

Parish Announcements

Space for the Future Building Project

By God's grace and His will, the Des Plaines City Council met on Monday, June 1st, 2026 approved our Multipurpose Building Planned Unit Development (PUD) application. The next step in the process is the second reading of the ordinance at the upcoming City Council meeting on June 15th, at 7:00 PM before formal approval. We request your continued prayers for God's guidance, wisdom, and favor as we move through the remaining steps of this process.

We prayerfully encourage every family to consider making a generous financial commitment through pledges. Please use the link provided to view an informative video about the Space for the Future Building Project and to 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)

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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

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Meeting ID: 898 0070 4611 | Passcode: 083373

Prayer Meetings

1) There will be an Area 9 prayer meeting on Sunday June 7th at 4:00 PM, at the residence of Mr. Mathew Varghese and Mrs. Sally Varghese at [34420 N. Bobolink Trail, Grayslake, IL, 60030](#). All Area 9 families are warmly encouraged to join and participate.

2) There will be an Area 2 prayer meeting on Friday June 12th at 7:00 PM, at the residence of Mr. Yohannan Mathew and Mrs. Rosamma Mathew at [7820 Tripp Ave, Skokie IL 60076](#). All Area 2 families are warmly encouraged to join and participate.

Congratulations!!



On behalf of the entire parish family, heartfelt congratulations to our Diocesan Assembly Member Mrs. Lalu Thomas, on being elected as our the Diocesan Council Member for the term 2026-2029. May God be with you, granting you divine grace, wisdom, discernment, and strength as you undertake this important responsibility.

Parish Picnic

2026 Parish Picnic: Our 2026 Parish Picnic will be held on Saturday, June 27th, 2026 from 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM at Bunker Hill, Shelter 6, in Niles, Illinois. Let us pray for favorable weather, and an enjoyable time of fellowship as we gather outdoors as a parish family.



**CHICAGO
MAR THOMA
CHURCH**

Picnic

2026

27
June
2026

**9 AM-4PM
Shelter-6
Bunker Hill
W Harts Rd, Niles 60714**

Entrance
N Caldwell Ave, South of W Touhy
Niles, IL 60714



Altar Flowers

Families who wish to sponsor altar flowers for a Sunday are kindly requested to contact our Lay Leaders. Sponsorship opportunities from July onward are currently available. The revised sponsorship amount is \$50.

Website

[Parish Website](#)

Forms

Parish Forms


YouTube

Please subscribe to get access to all live stream links.

YouTube

Area & Sub-Organization Announcements

Sunday School



CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH
SUNDAY SCHOOL

VBS 2026

Lights
Color
Action

JUNE 17TH-20TH
Chicago Mar Thoma Church
240 Potter Road Des Plaines IL 60016

SHINING A LIGHT ON
WHO JESUS REALLY IS

**ILLUMINATION
STATION** JOHN 8:12

Registration Fee: \$50/Child until May 31, 2026
Late Fee: \$60/Child (Only for CMTC Students)

Register for VBS

Youth Fellowship

CMTC YF

FOOD *Sale*



**SUNDAY
JUNE 7TH**

**AFTER DIVINE AND
HOLY COMMUNION
SERVICE**

Stop by after service to buy some tasty **Porotta and Chicken Roast** along with a variety of **Snacks** to help fund our **Midwest Sports Tournament!**

This Sunday, we urge everyone to buy our delicious food from the food sale after Divine Service or Holy Communion/Ignite Service!



Summer Kickoff BBQ: The Summer Kickoff BBQ has been moved to this Friday, June 12th at 7:00 PM. Please join for a night of food and fellowship. If you want to contribute food or drinks to the BBQ, please put your name in the sign-up.

[BBQ Sign-up](#)

CHICAGO MAR THOMA CHURCH YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

2026 MIDWEST SPORTS TOURNAMENT

// A DAY OF COMPETITION. A SPIRIT OF FELLOWSHIP. //



COME CHEER ON YOUR TEAM!



**SATURDAY
JUNE 13TH**
BEGINNING AT 9:30 AM



JACK A. CLAES PAVILION
1000 Wellington Ave,
Elk Grove Village, IL 60007



**MEN'S
BASKETBALL**



**WOMEN'S
VOLLEYBALL**

FOR ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:



RYAN THOMAS
847-830-0138



AARON CHERIAN
224-818-3888



CHRIS CHACKO
224-433-3877

All youth are encouraged to join, participate, and support.

Father's Day Video

As Father's Day is approaching, we are making a video! If you want to be a part of it, use the link in our bio to see the instructions and submit your message!



Father's Day: YF is preparing a special Father's Day Video. For those who want to be part of this year's Father's Day Video, please go to the form for instructions and to submit your message! Deadline: June 16th at 11:59pm. If you have any questions or issues, please contact YF Secretary Shane Abraham or our Social Media Coordinator Joel Mathew.

Father's Day Video Submission

Choir



CMTC CHOIR

പൊതിച്ചോറ്റ്
SALE 2026

JUNE 14TH SUNDAY



തോരൻ, മെഴുകുപ്പുരട്ടി, ചമ്മന്തി,
യിൻകറി (കിംഗ് ഫിഷ്), മാങ്ങാ അച്ചാർ, പുളിശ്ശേരി,
മുട്ട ഓംലെറ്റ്, രണ്ട് ഇനങ്ങൾ കൂടി അത്ഭുതപ്പെടുത്തുന്നു

Made by : CMTC CHOIR

Yuvajana Sakhyam



**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

JOMI ROSHAN
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

CHICAGO MAR THOMA YUVAJANA SAKHYAM

presents

HARVEST FESTIVAL

AUGUST 8, 2026

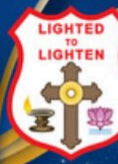
A fundraising initiative aimed at supporting the
Home for the Homeless and the **Space for the Future** funds

STAY TUNED

240 POTTER ROAD DES PLAINES IL 60016

This year's Harvest Festival will be held on Saturday, August 8th, from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM. The Yuvajana Sakhyam humbly requests the prayers, support, and active participation of all parish members to make this event a blessing and a success. Those who wish to participate in the various programs are kindly requested to submit their names to Mrs. Gem Jaims or Mrs. Sarah George at their earliest convenience. We look forward to your enthusiastic participation and continued prayers.

Young Women's Fellowship



YWF Retreat

Saturday June 13th 9 am - 12 noon



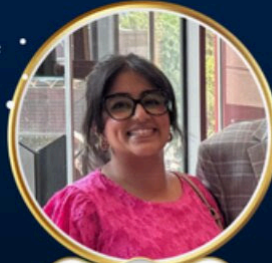
Chicago Marthoma Church
240 Potter Rd.
Des Plaines



- Women's Holistic Health & Lifelong Wellness
- Pink Awareness - Understanding, Screening & Diagnosis



Dr. Anne Luckose



Leah Varughis

- The Restored Soul
- Navigating Anxiety, Stress, and Mental Wellness Through God's Word

"Come and join us for an inspiring day of Bible study, a holistic health talk, creative painting, and fellowship over a delicious lunch."

Ecumenical Announcements

Family Night



ECUMENICAL COUNCIL OF
KERALA CHURCHES IN CHICAGO

Family Night 2026

Saturday, June 6, 2026

Mar Thoma Sleeha Syro-Malabar Cathedral
5000 St. Charles Rd, Bellwood, IL

Dinner 5 PM – 6 PM

Public Meeting 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Christian-themed cultural programs

7:30 PM onwards

Chief Guest:

Rt. Rev. Dr. Abraham Mar Paulos Episcopa

(Diocesan Bishop of North America Diocese of Mar Thoma Church)

President, Rev. Biju Yohannan: 224-304-9311

Secretary, Benjamin Thomas: 847-529-4600

Chairman, Rev. Fr. Joice Pappan: 718-419-1838

Convener, Dr. Sibil Philip; 630-697-2241

Program Coordinator, Johnson Vallyil 847-830-7276

Prayers & Blessings

To all dear members celebrating birthdays and wedding anniversaries this week: may Jesus Christ, the Ultimate Influencer and Author of life, mold you into His likeness, strengthen you through every season, and bless you with wisdom, mercy, and peace that surpasses all understanding.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



06/05 Kunjoonjamma Mathai

06/05 Sabu Thomas

06/05 Aswathy A. John

06/05 Nikhil K. Roy

06/05 Nia Sujai

06/05 Noah Charles George

06/05 Zachary John

06/06 Mariamma Chacko

06/06 Thomas M Thyparampil

06/06 Merin Babu Thomas

06/07 Jerry Tom Thomas

06/07 Aiden Jomy

06/08 Sam Mathew

06/08 Neena K Prince

06/08 Adam C. Varghese

06/08 Malini Celeste Hayes

06/10 Saramma John

06/10 Susan Phillipose

06/10 Preethi Elizabeth Varughese

06/10 Benjamin Cherian Thomas

06/10 Joshua Avicote Kurien

06/10 Alisha Mary Babu

06/11 Varghese John

06/11 Sabu T. Lahethu

06/11 Bijoy Oommen Varghese

06/11 Keziah Raichel Byju

06/11 Viva Varghese



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 06/05 Mr. Sibi M. Jacob &
Mrs. Deepa Koshy
- 06/06 Mr. Santhosh V. George &
Mrs. Deepa Susan Abraham
- 06/07 Mr. David George &
Mrs. Anne George
- 06/08 Mr. Alex K. Thomas &
Mrs. Gigi Alex
- 06/08 Mr. Rajesh Philip Babu &
Mrs. Ruby Babu
- 06/08 Mr. Sudhish M. George &
Mrs. Shillo K. John
- 06/08 Dr. Sijo Thomas Sunny &
Mrs. Priya Ann Varughese
- 06/08 Mr. Jerry Varughese &
Mrs. Jensine Joseph
- 06/08 Mr. Christopher Samuel &
Mrs. Laura Rae Ovitt
- 06/09 Mr. Cherian V. Thomas &
Mrs. Annamma Thomas
- 06/11 Mr. P. A. Varghese &
Mrs. Ponnamma Varghese
- 06/11 Mr. Abraham K Chacko &
Mrs. Aleyamma Abraham



"For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him." **Acts 2:39**

Prayerfully, Together in His service,

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