

ST. JOHN'S MAR THOMA CHURCH
90-37 213 STREET, QUEENS VILLAGE, NY 11428



WORSHIP: EVERY SUNDAY 9:00 AM
SUNDAY SCHOOL 11:30 AM

NEWSLETTER - MARCH 2010

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*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of
Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter
of Jerusalem! Lo, your King
comes to you*

Zechariah 9:9

To:



F O R P R I V A T E C I R C U L A T I O N O N L Y



ST. JOHN'S MAR THOMA CHURCH

OFFICE BEARERS / BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR 2009

Vicar / President	Rev. Jacob Verghese; Par.	(718) 465-2358
	Mobile	(516) 474-2975
Vice President	Mr. Abraham C. Thomas	(516) 437-1888
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Accountant	Mr. Thomas C. Mathew	(516) 996 -6065
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Eastern Long Island	Mr. George Chacko	(516) 640-4022
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New Hyde Park West	Mr. Suresh T. John	(516) 216-1892
Palli Bhagam	Mr. T. M. Thomas	(718) 217-1740
Sabha Mandalam	Mr. Abraham Thomas	(516) 877-5925
Diocesan Assembly	Mr. Abraham T. Abraham	(718) 343-5465
	Mr. Beji T. Joseph	(516) 822-5463

Senior Citizens	Mr. Bob Nainan	(718) 343-5043
<u>Auditors</u>	Mr. John T. Varkey	(516) 233-1128
	Mr. George Thomas	(516) 352-0016
<u>Youth Chaplain</u>	Rev. Biju P. Simon	(516) 437-0425

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SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Koruthu George Superintendent 516-354-7552

NURSERY

Teena Thampy	516-216-1071	JUNIORS, GRADE 6
Lizi Mathew	516-233-1848	Laila George 631-462-1648

KINDERGARTEN

Molamma Thankachan	718-468-4434	Johnson P. Philip 516-739-3744
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Leena Mathew 917-817-5115

PRIMARY JUNIORS, GR. 1

Binu Daniel	516-488-7831	Mary Samuel 718-464-9172
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Bhavna Mathews 516-746-5222

PRIMARY JUNIORS, GR. 2

Jyothi Thomas	516-942-8023	Beji T. Joseph 516-822-5463
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Sherry George 718-468-1224

PRIMARY, GRADE 3

Tinu Thampy	516-216-1071	Susan Varghese 718-347-2709
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Rachel Philip 516-326-2629

PRIMARY, GRADE 4

Rachel George	718-468-1224	Anchamma Mathews 718-347-3488
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Mercy Babu 516-538-2833

JUNIORS, GRADE 5

Sherly Ninan	516-488-2574	Philip Oommen 718-776-2585
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Amy Thomas 347-645-0007

CAPITAL BUILDING IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

President - Rev. Jacob Verghese

General Convener - Mr. Varughese P. Abraham

Project Engineer

Mr. Thomas M. George

Project Manager

Mr. Joseph P. John

Construction Managers

Mr. Kuttikattu Idichandy

Mr. Cherian M. George

Interior Decoration/Furnishing

Mr. Philip Thomas (Conv.), Mr. Abraham Thomas, Mrs. Lilly Simon, Mr. Susheel Thomas, Mr. Zachariah Mathai

Finance Committee

Mr. Sabu Lukose (Conv.), Mr. Varghese George, Mr. John Mathews, Mr. John Thomas, Mr. Saji Thomas.

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Audio/Video & Lighting

Mr. Binu Thomas (Conv.), Mr. Biju P. Cherian, Mr. Sam George, Mr. George Mathew, Mr. Bob Abraham

Landscaping/Beautification

Mr. Stanley Pappachen (Conv.), Mr. M. M. Mathew, Mr. M. Thomas, Mr. Beji T. Joseph, Mr. Varughese K. Abraham

Church Building Fund

List of members who have fulfilled their obligation of \$5000.00

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VICARS MESSAGE

Dearly beloved in Christ Jesus,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Once again we are preparing ourselves to commemorate the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The fifty days of Lent is the time devoted for fasting and penitence as a commemoration of Christ's suffering and death on the cross. It is the time for introspection and self-renewal.

The first Sunday of March is being observed as Diocesan Sunday, wherein we remember and acknowledge God's blessings and guidance that we received in and through the diocese. Rev. P. J. Varghese will be visiting our parish on March 7th 2010 to conduct the Sunday services and to receive the collections for the life and mission of our diocese. I urge you to contribute generously for the cause of the great mission and ministry of our diocese.

I thank the Almighty God for his blessings and guidance upon the process of renovation of our church building. Last Sunday we were able to start our finance campaign and the response was amazing. I thank God for all who have contributed for the cause, especially the women of our church who donated their valuables for the noble cause. May the Almighty God continue to shower His blessings upon each and every one of us who are prayerfully participating in it. I request all the others who have not yet contributed to the building fund to kindly plan your contribution towards the same. Without your prayer and support we will not be able to fulfill the project. So continue to pray and contribute sacrificially.

By the grace of God this year's Maramon Convention went on well. This year also thousands of people heard the word of God. Let's thank God for the His abundant blessings experienced during the big gathering of God's people at Maramon. The Mar Thoma Sabha Mandalam which met on Feb.11 and 12 has decided to elect three new Episcopas. The Episcopal nomination board was elected for the same. Let us remember in our prayers all the future procedures and decisions of our church.

May the Almighty God help us to witness Him in the days to come.

With all best wishes and prayers,
25th February 2010

In His Service,
Jacob Verghese Achen

W O R S H I P S C H E D U L E

Week 10, March 07; Holy Communion, Malayalam, 9:00 AM

Praise & Worship;

Teacher & Grade- Ms. Amy Thomas, Grade 5

Sermon & Prayer- Ms. Nefia Chacko, Ms. Stefie Thomas

Lessons: Mr. Abraham C. Thomas, Dr. Annamma Zachariah
Isa. 45:1-8; Acts 16:6-15

Lay Leader Assistant: Mr. Cherian Panavelil

Epistle & Gospel: Gal. 2:11-21; St. Mat. 15:21-28

Altar Flowers: Mr. Suresh T. John

Week 11, March 14; Holy Communion, English, 9:00 AM

Praise & Worship;

Teacher & Grade- Mrs. Sherly Ninan, Grade 5

Sermon & Prayer- Mr. Cifin Sajan, Ms. Ariena Eapen

Lessons: Mr. Cyril Abraham, Ms. Marily Abraham
Isa. 59:12-21; Rom. 8:31-39

Lay Leader Assistant: Mr. Renae Abraham

Epistle & Gospel: Eph. 6:10-20; St. Luke 13:10-17

Altar Flowers: Mr. Suresh T. John

Week 12, March 21; Holy Communion, Malayalam, 9:00 AM

Praise & Worship;

Teacher & Grade- Mrs. Sherly Ninan, Grade 5

Sermon & Prayer- Mr. Joewin James, Ms. Sona George

Lessons: Mr. Sajan Mathew, Mrs. Mariamma Zachariah
Isa. 42:1-9; Acts 12:1-11

Lay Leader Assistant: Mr. Achenkunj Mathew

Epistle and Gospel: 1 Pet. 3:8-22; St. Mark 10:46-52

Altar Flowers: Mr. Suresh T. John

Week 13, March 28; Holy Communion, English, 9:00 AM

Praise & Worship;

Teacher & Grade- Mrs. Sherly Ninan, Grade 5

Sermon & Prayers- Ms. Ariena Eapen, Mr. Cifin Sajan

Lessons: Mr. Shawn Zachariah, Ms. Stacy Mathew
Zech. 9:9-17; Col. 1:15-23

Lay Leader Assistant: Mr. Cyril Abraham

Epistle & Gospel: Phil. 2:5-11; St. Matthew 21:1-11

Altar Flowers: Mr. Suresh T. John

B I R T H D A Y S F O R T H E M O N T H

1. Rohit Mathew	1	38. Anil T. Andrews	19
2. Sayu Biju	2	39. Binu Daniel	19
3. Elizabeth T. Sam	2	40. Justin Joseph	19
4. Jessica Mary Varughese	2	41. Stefi Mathew	19
5. Thomas M. George	3	42. Nigel Lyju Oommen	19
6. Annamma Mathews	4	43. Valsamma George	21
7. Anita Simon	4	44. Biji J. Jacob	21
8. Jasmin Varughese	4	45. Samantha Sam Nainan	21
9. Christopher Sam Babu	5	<i>Offer prayer and thanksgiving on March 21, 2010</i>	
10. Sosamma John	5		
11. Manuel Mathew	6		
12. Sharon S. Varughese	6	46. Elizabeth Philip	22
13. Marilyn N. Abraham	7	47. Beena Varghese	22
14. Akkil Alex Kurien	7	48. Anju Mary Alexander	23
<i>Offer prayer and thanksgiving on March 7, 2010</i>		49. Leelamma Mathai	25
		50. Annamma Skariah	26
		51. Shylon Mathew	27
15. Rachel Thomas	8	52. Linda Sara Thomas	27
16. Jess J. Chacko	9	53. Riva Eapen	28
17. Georgekutty Chacko	10	<i>Offer prayer and thanksgiving on March 28, 2010</i>	
18. Austin Sanu Mathew	10		
19. Suby Mathew	10		
20. Saju Joseph Thomas	10	54. Achamma John	30
21. Benjamin Thomas Mathew	11	55. Sheela J. Mathew	30
22. Susan Thomas	11	56. Susan Varghese	31
23. Lisa David	13	<i>Offer prayer and thanksgiving on April 4, 2010</i>	
24. T. C. David	13		
25. Monsey George	13		
26. Justin T. Sam	13		
27. Sylas Thomas Chacko	14		
28. Joel P. Thomas	14		
<i>Offer prayer and thanksgiving on March 14, 2010</i>			
29. Anna Alexander	15		
30. Jane S. Mathew	15		
31. Vincy Samuel	15		
32. Jeremy George	16		
33. Davis John	17		
34. Elizabeth Mohan	17		
35. Josh P. Thomas	17		
36. Lizzykutty Abraham	18		
37. Chacko K. Thomas	18		



S U N D A Y S C H O O L

Every Sunday at 11:30 AM

Diocesan Examinations - May 2, 2010

Junior/Senior Students Conference - July 15-18, 2010

SENIOR CITIZENS FELLOWSHIP

Cottage Meeting

3/20, 10 am Varghese Mathai 718-347-4673
75-30 263 Street, Glen Oaks

YOUNG FAMILIES FELLOWSHIP

Cottage Meeting:

to be announced

Y O U T H F E L L O W S H I P

Fellowship meetings

3/6, 4 pm Bible study with Biju P. Simon Achen
3/13, 4 pm Bible study with Jacob Varghese Achen
3/20, 4 pm Combined meeting with Epiphany YF or Sr./Jr. Bible study
3/27, 8 am Service Saturday, 4pm- Group Fellowship Game Night

Y U V A J A N A S A K H Y A M

Cottage Meeting & Sandhya Namaskaaram

3/27, 7 pm Mr. Manoj Mathai 516-354-3890
35 Orchid Lane, New Hyde Park

D A T E S T O R E M E M B E R

March 6 World Day of Prayer
March 13 Zonal Couples Conference at Ascension Mar Thoma Church
March 14 Day light Savings Time starts (set your clocks forward)
March 20 Regional Sevika Sanghom meeting, Annual General Body and farewell meeting for departing Vicars
March 21 Sevika Sanghom fund raising auction
Mar. 29-31 Passion Week, Sandhya Namaskaaram at church.
April 1 Maundy Thursday service at church at 6:30 PM
April 2 Good Friday service at 9 am.
April 4 Easter Sunday Holy Communion at 9 am
May 2 Diocesan Examination for grade 5-10
May 9 Mother's Day
May 23 Sacred Music & Communication Sunday
July 2-5 27th Mar Thoma Family Conference, Houston, TX.
July 3 St. Thomas, the Apostle Day
July 15-18 Jr. Sr. Conference

PRAYER GROUPS & ORGANIZATIONS

A R E A P R A Y E R M E E T I N G S

<u>Bellerose</u>	no prayer scheduled	
<u>Eastern Long Island</u>	Mr. Philip Thomas	516-921-8023
March 14, 5 pm	74 Syosset Circle, Syosset	
March 21, 7 pm	Mr. Joseph P. John	516-827-0649
	3 Trezza Ct., Hicksville	
<u>Elmont & W. Hempstead</u>	George P. Chacko	516-358-7086
March 6, 7pm	30 Jackson Avenue, Elmont	
March 14, 7 pm	Mr. T. Varghese John	516-385-4215
	345 Wilson Ave., West Hempstead	
<u>Floral Pk. & Glen Oaks</u>	no prayer scheduled	
<u>Garden City Park</u>	no prayer scheduled	
<u>New Hyde Park East</u>	Mr. John Mathew	516-233-1848
March 20, 7 pm	19 Blossom Avenue, New Hyde Park	
<u>New Hyde Park West</u>	Mr. Sajan Mathew	516-616-9446
March 7, 7 pm	1043 N. 4 th Street, New Hyde Park	
<u>Palli Bhagom</u>	Mr. Thankachen Lukose	718-468-4434
March 13, 7 pm	91-15 210 Pl., Queens Village	

E D A V A K A M I S S I O N P R A Y E R S

March 5, 7:00 PM	Mr. Zachariah Mathai	516-328-8791
	519 N. First Street, New Hyde Park	
March 12, 7:00 PM	Mr. Sanu Mathew	516-222-0826
	1766 Stone Avenue, East Meadow	
March 19, 7:00 PM	Mr. Biju Chacko	516-214-4190
	1802 McKinley Avenue, East Meadow	
March 26, 7:00 PM	No meeting, 40 th day of Lent	
	Holy Communion at church.	

SEVIKA SANGHOM PRAYER MEETINGS

March 4, 10 am	Mrs. Susan Abraham	718-962-8746
	75-01 260 Street, Glen Oaks	
March 11, 10 am	Mrs. Susan Varghese	718-347-2709
	83-55 249 Street, Bellerose	
March 18, 10 am	Mrs. Sosamma David	516-747-7033
	65 Fourth Street, Garden City Park	
March 25, 10 am	Mrs. Aleyamma John	516-233-1128
	127 South Drive, Manhasset Hills	

Sandhya Namaskaaram Schedule; Feb. 28- March 27

Lessons and Locations

Week 3

Sun	02/28/10	Gen:28:1-22 2; Thes:3:1-18	5164229791
		Jacob Varghese, 76-07 267 Street, New Hyde Park,	
Mon	03/01/10	Jud:1:1-21; 1Timo:3:1-16	5169966065
		Thomas C Mathew, 1498 Falmouth Avenue, New Hyde Park,	
Tues	03/02/10	Job:31:1-15; Eph:3:1-13	5168775991
		Scaria Varughese, 50 Second Street, Garden City Park	
Wed	03/03/10	1Sam:9:18-27; Eph:6:1-9	5163520016
		George Thomas, 74 Evans Street, New Hyde Park.	
Thu	03/04/10	Micah:6:1-8; Phil:1:1-11	7183437663
		M. Thomas, 82-18 255 Street, Floral Park	
Fri	03/05/10	Job:22:13-30; Rom:2:1-16	5163288791
		Zachariah Mathai, 519 N. First Street, New Hyde Park	
Sat	03/06/10	Exodus:16:1-10; 1Peter:2:1-10	5163587086
		George P Chacko, 30 Jackson Avenue,Elmont	

Week 4

Sun	03/07/10	Gen:37; Philemon:1	5166169446
		Sajan Mathew, 1043 N. 4th Street, New Hyde Park	
Mon	03/08/10	2Kings:12:7-16; 2 Corin:11:1-15	5162863142
		Abraham George, 27 Fourth Street, Garden City Park.	
Tues	03/09/10	Jerem:6:16-21; 1Cor.16:13-24	5167508570
		Jimmy Thomas, 151 Bedford Avenue, Garden City Park	
Wed	03/10/10	1Sam:7:5-12; Psal:34:1-9	5169423725
		Anil T Andrews, 4 Birchwood Lane, Hicksville	
Thu	03/11/10	Dan:4:24-37; Ps:41:1-13	5164371888
		Abraham C. Thomas, 49 Cellar Avenue, New Hyde Park.	
Fri	03/12/10	Dan:9:1-11; 2Cor:12:19-13:14	5162220826
		Sanu Mathew, 1766 Stone Avenue, East Meadow	
Sat	03/13/10	Isa:55:1-11; 1Cori:9:15-27	7184684434
		Thankachan Lukose, 91-15 210 Pl., Queens Village	

Week 5

Sun	03/14/10	Gen:43; Gal:6	5169428023
		Philip Thomas, 74 Syosset Circle, Syosset	
Mon	03/15/10	Jer:33:6-11; Rom:9:14-33	7187402704
		Thomas George, 89-81 217 Street, Queens Village	
Tues	03/16/10	Isa:40:12-24; Rom:1:8-17	5167751512
		Saji Thomas, 63 Cellar Avenue, New Hyde Park	
Wed	03/17/10	Isa:41:8-17; 1Cori:10:14-33	7183470346
		Roy C. Thomas, 267-12 82 Avenue, Floral Park	
Thu	03/18/10	Isa:42:1-9; Colo:3:1-17	5162482940
		Abraham C. Abraham, 47Dail Street, New Hyde Park	

Fri	03/19/10	Hose:6:1-6; 1Timo:2:1-15	5169964611
		Biju Chacko, 1802 Mckinley Avenue, East Meadow	
Sat	03/20/10	Eze:15:1-8; Psl:78:1-28	5162331848
		John Mathew, 19 Blossom Avenue, New Hyde Park	

Week 6

Sun	03/21/10	Gen:44; 2Cori:1	5168270649
		Joseph John, 3 Trezza Court, Hicksville	
Mon	03/22/10	Jer:35:1-11; 1Thess:4:1-12	5162702643
		Bijoy Abraham, 189 Celler Avenue, New Hyde Park	
Tues	03/23/10	Zech:9:9-17; Rom:8:12-30	5163547552
		George Koruth, 12 Winthrop Street, New Hyde Park.	
Wed	03/24/10	Dan:7:9-18; Gal:5:13-26	5168225463
		Beji T. Joseph, 30 Cambria Road, Syosset	
Thu	03/25/10	Isa:51:1-8; 2Cori:6:1-10	7183439344
		Varughese P. Abraham, 82-65 248 Street, Bellerose	
Fri	03/26/10	Isa:58:1-8; 1Pet:1:13-25	7184652358
		40th Friday: Holy Qurbana: 6.00 PM at Church	
Sat	03/27/10	Isa:61:1-11; Eph:1:15-2:10	3477520142
		Manoj Mathai, 35 Orchid Ln, New Hyde Park	

Thank you

New Hyde Park East area prayer group and Mr. Abraham C. Abraham for assisting with the church services and for making arrangements for the coffee during the month of February. New Hyde Park West area will take over the responsibility during the month of March.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES FOR THE MONTH

1. Jessy & Thomas C. Mathew 1
Offer prayer and thanksgiving on February 7, 2010
2. Mini & Abu Varghese 12
Offer prayer and thanksgiving on February 14, 2010
3. Anna & Alexander P. Eapen 23
Offer prayer and thanksgiving on February 28, 2010

Happy Wedding Anniversary to all