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# Jubilee Voice Jubilee Malayalam Church



Parish Messenger for April 2017

## Thought for the month

"Your will not fear of the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day." Ps.91:5

## Jubilee Malayalam Church

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### Programmes

April 02: Holy Communion Service in Jubilee Church at 7 am and Panvel at 11am.

#### (Passion Sunday)

- April 04: Atmaya Meeting at the residence of Mr. KK Johnson, Kharghar at 8 pm.
- April 08: Chain prayer and fasting prayer at Jubilee Malayalam Church, Sanpada at 10.30am.
- April 09: Palm Sunday, Holy Communion Service in Jubilee Church at 7 am and Panvel at 11am.

  Management committee meeting at 9 am at Jubilee Church.
- **April 11:** Convention 7 pm to 10 pm at Jubilee Malayalam Church, Sanpada.
- **April 12:** Convention 7 pm to 10 pm at Jubilee Malayalam Church, Sanpada.
- **April 13: Maundy Thursday,** combined Holy Communion Service in Sanpada at 8 pm (First Floor)
- April 14: Good Friday, combined service in Sanpada at 8 am.
- April 15: Retreat (Rhythm of Life with Christ) 9 am to 2 pm
- April 16: Easter, Holy Communion Service in Sanpada at 5.30am and in Panvel at 10 am.
- **April 18:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm at Jubilee Church
- April 23: Holy Communion Service in English in Jubilee Church at 7 am and Panvel at 11am.
- **April 25:** Atmaya Meeting at 7.30 pm at Jubilee Church
- April 30: Holy Communion Service in Jubilee Church at 7 am and Panvel at 11am.

Motto for the year 2017

"Rejoice in the Lord always." (Philippians 4: 4)

### Message from the Presbyter

#### Dear Beloved- in- Christ,

"Greetings in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ"

#### "Cross - Restoration and Resurrection".

There are two narratives in the Gospels: the birth narrative and the passion narrative. The word passion comes from the Latin word passio, meaning "suffering". The word was first applied to Jesus' suffering on the cross, then took on a broader meaning to include Jesus' agony from the Garden of Gethsemane to his death on the cross. The passion narrative is included in all four Gospels and is the longest self-contained segment in each of the gospels. Jesus' passion is the climax of his mission to bring salvation to all human kind, which is why Good Friday is called "Good".

#### Cross-, the place of restoration:

Most of the cable cars, which go over the sea, can carry four people at a time. These cars are covered with glass through which we can see the ships and boats as it goes above the sea. In some places, there are stations in the middle of the sea. It will be a little scary to travel above the sea. If anyone is sacred that it might fall into the sea, that person will never enjoy the trip. If you are frightened then you may never enjoy the trip. Likewise Cross is not the place to frighten, a place of curse, but it is the restoring place where Jesus Christ revealed God his father, his mission and his sacrificial love. It is the place to restore image and likeness of God. It is the place of deformed creation to become reformed creation.

#### The Blessings of the Resurrection:

Dr. Silver Thorne who discovered the vaccine for whooping cough, was asked, what the greatest discovery in his life was. "To discover Jesus as my saviour and the awareness of my sins is the greatest discovery in my life" said Silver Thorne.

We may doubt the importance of Christian faith in a scientific age. Scientific truths are being experimented in the laboratories. But what about the Christian faith? We should allow undergoing the faith in the same process in the laboratory of faith for the truths. Thomas is the

disciple who refused to believe the resurrection of Jesus and he doubted the resurrection. Peter

denied Jesus during the crucial stage. But Jesus made Thomas to realize and he addressed

Jesus "My Lord and My God". Peter was reinstated by Jesus and summoned to "feed my

sheep." For many this world is desperate and desolate one. Crying and murmuring for simple

reasons. But resurrected Jesus changed crying Magdalene Mary to carry a mission. On the

road to Emmaus, two of the disciples experienced the real presence of Jesus Christ, when he

talked with them, stayed with them and broke bread for them. They recognized him and

returned to Jerusalem, told the disciples, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to

Simon". And for all the disciples, resurrected Christ gave his 'Great commission' in Mathew

28:18-20. "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the

Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have

commanded you."

During the Easter day, we are going to proclaim once again "The Lord is risen, he is risen

indeed. Alleluia!" Yes, he defeated Satan, the death, betrayals, denials, sufferings and gave us

an eternal life, salvation, his grace, love, hope and peace. So let us affirm our faith once again

strongly that Jesus Christ is my only Savior.

May God Bless You,

With love and prayers,

Rev. Binju Varughese Kuruvilla

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#### A LETTER TO MY SON!

Mrs. Annet Thomas (Beena W/o Mr. Hans Thomas)

## "For this child I prayed; and the Lord hath given me my petition which I asked of him" $1^{st}$ Samuel 1:27

On 2nd March at around 3:11pm, I heard a small cry and a voice saying 'it's a boy'. It was that moment that I realized my life has changed. It's no more 'Me'. Its 'You'! Suddenly there was a purpose for the life, a meaning to my life.

I never knew life would be this beautiful until it grew inside me. So the statement is clear 'my life is for you now!!'

What can I tell you that no mom has told her son? I want you to know that I will love you, care for you, protect you, and nurture you. I will let you fall so that you rise. I will let you get hurt so that you understand the pain of hurting others. I will be by your side in every step. I wish that you have many blessings in life. And when you go through hard times, you have the strength and courage to keep going. I want you to treat people with kindness, and most importantly that you are kind to yourself.

I am not raising just a child; I am raising someone's spouse. And I want my daughter in law (love) to say you are raised by a queen (which will work only when you treat her as a princess). I want you to be an example for all to see; standing tall, proud and strong!

Life is never going to be fair. You are going to fall. People will hurt you. People will take you for granted. But I want you to know one thing. 'Do everything as you are doing it for God. For you know it's never between u and the people anyway!' God is our judge!

I want you to have the adventure for life. I want you to stop by to help others on their way. I want you to be kind and considerate to others feeling. I want you to listen to your heart and seek Gods help in every step.

Live life to the fullest! Enjoy every bit of it. Remember money can buy everything but not happiness, so give time to your loved ones for they will be the only one responsible to make you smile.

Remember how much you are loved! I can't thank God enough for a blessing like you. I don't know what I have done to be blessed with a son like you!

Always remember 'Love begins at home and it's not how much we do but how much love we put into action' (Mother Teresa)

Also remember; a dad is someone who wants to catch you before you fall but instead picks you up, brushes you up and lets you try again. Any man can be a father but it takes someone really special to be a dad. And I want you to be special like your dad!

I want you to have the "Obedience of Noah Faith of Abraham Passion of David Strength of Samson

May you be
Wise like Solomon
Bold like Stephen
Fearless like Daniel
Forgiving like Joseph!"

Most importantly I want you to be 'A Man of God'!

"It's not what we do for children, but what we have taught them to do for themselves that make them successful human beings" –Ann Landers.

Happy Birthday my Son!

P.S: I believe all moms can relate to this letter.

#### **News & Notes:**

#### **Previous Month's Highlights**

#### Women's Fellowship Retreat and Competitions

A one-day retreat and competitions was held on 24th February, 2017 at Jubilee Church, Sanpada. Competitions were held on Solo, Group song, Bible Quiz, Memory Game, Dumb charades and ice break. Thanks to all the members who have participated.

#### Women's Sunday:

Women's Sunday was observed on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 at 3pm at Sanpada Jubilee Malayalam Church. Mrs. Sera Bibi Cherian gave the message. Women's Fellowship members lead various sessions. Food sale was conducted after the service. Thanks to Mrs. Sera Bibi and all the women's fellowship members for their leadership and support and participation. Thanks to Panvel Women's fellowship members for their utmost co-operation. The amount collected from cover collection is Rs. 42,400 and from food sale is Rs. 27,370.

#### Whole Night Prayer:

Whole night prayer was conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 after the Holy Communion Service at 8.00 pm. More than 80 members attended the meetings. Thanks to Mr. Biju George and Rev. Samji. K. Sam Achen for leading the sessions and all the participants for attending the meetings. Special thanks to children and youth members. Thanks to choir members for leading singing sessions.

#### **Union Worship Service:**

Under the banner of Union of CNI Malayalam churches, Union worship service was conducted, at St. Christopher CNI Malayalam Church, Kalyan at 3pm on 19<sup>th</sup> March, 2017. The Most Rev. Thomas. K. Oommen, Moderator of CSI lead the Holy Communion Service.

#### Reception to CSI Moderator, The Most Rev. Thomas K Oommen:

Union of CNI Malayalam Churches in Mumbai and Pune gave a warm reception and felicitation to the CSI Moderator the Most Rev. Thomas. K. Oommen thirumeni on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at St. Christopher CNI Malayalam Church, Kalyan at 3pm. After the worship service, felicitation function was conducted at 5.30pm. Bishops and Political leaders were present during the meeting. From our church about 70 members attended. Thanks to all for your support and help.

### **Present Month's Programmes**

#### **Atmaya Fellowship Meetings:**

Atmaya fellowship meetings will be held on all Tuesdays at 7:30 pm in Church. Bible study is based on Acts of the Apostles.

#### Youth Meeting:

Youth meeting will be held on all Sundays soon after the service at 9 am. Variety programs and Bible study will be there. Parents are requested to encourage the youths to attend these meetings.

**12 hour Chain** and Fasting prayer: Chain and fasting prayer will be held on 8<sup>th</sup> April at Jubilee Church, Sanpada. Chain prayer starts from morning 4.30am to evening 4.30pm. Fasting prayer starts from 10.30am to 3.30pm. Those who wish to join the chain prayer shall give your name and select your timings. I request all the members to join in these prayer meetings.

#### **Passion Week:**

Church Convention is arranged during Passion Week on Tuesday, April 11th and Wednesday, April 12th. The Speaker will be Rev. Vinod Allen, Professor, KUTC Seminary. He is a good preacher and a theologian. I urge you to kindly make use of his ministry over here. He will lead all the worship services during the Passion Week. I request all the members to kindly attend all the meetings and worship services during that week. Also invite your relatives, friends and members of the sister churches for these meetings.

## **Prayer Requests**

- 1. Mrs. DeenammaTharian, mother of Mr. MonzyTharian( for good health)
- 2. Mr. Abraham Mathen (for good health)
- 3. Mrs. Lillian Stephens, M/o Mr. Malcolm Stephen (for good health)

- 4. Mother of Mr. Sudeep Philips (Mob: 8879640355) who is undergoing dialysis.
- 5. The wife of Bishop Joshua, staying in Borivalli, recovering after treatment for cancer.
- 6. Father of Mr. Bobby Ninan, who is recovering at home after brain hemorrhage.
- 7. Mr. John Thomas -9867886398 (for good health)
- 8. Mr. John P. Mathew- 9820456808 (for good health)
- 9. Mr. Shyam Gorath& family, our missionary in Akhloli Village
- 10. Our Parsonage Project.

## Sunday Scripture Lessons for March 2017

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> April: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Easter: Passion Sunday (Lent 5)

Theme: The meaning of the death of Christ.

Isaiah 50:4-10 Ps. 89:34-52

2 Cor 5:11-19 John 11:45-53

#### 9th April: Sunday before Easter (Lent 6): Palm Sunday

Theme: Christ enters Jerusalem to offer his life for the salvation of the world.

Zechariah 9:9-12 Ps. 24

Philippians 2:5-11 Matt. 21:1-9

#### 13th April: Maundy Thursday

Theme: Jesus gives his disciples a new commandment and institutes the Lord's Supper

Exodus 12:1-8 Ps.116

I Cor.11:23-29 John 19:1-16

#### 14<sup>th</sup> April: Good Friday

Theme: The victory of the Cross

Isaiah 52:13-53:12 Ps.22:1-11

Hebrews 10:4-24 John 19:1-37

#### 16th April: Easter Day

Theme: The Lord is risen, he is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Ex. 15:1-2, 19-21 Ps. 118

#### 23rd April: Sunday after Easter

Theme: Joy and peace, power and new life are given through the Resurrection of

Christ.

Zecha. 9:1-12 Ps. 98

1Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

#### 30th April: 2nd Sunday after Easter

Theme: Witnesses to Christ's Resurrection

Exodus 40:34-38 Ps. 30

1 Peter 3:13-18 Luke 24:13-35

## Scripture Reading, Peace, Elements & Offertory – Sanpada

Date	1 <sup>st</sup> Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
02.04.17	Mr. Paul Joseph	Mrs. Annamma John	Mrs. Mariamma Abraham
09.04.17	Mr. W J Mathai	Mrs. Stivy Philip	Mr. Shaji Thomas
13.04.17	Mr. John Samuel	Mrs. Teena Josey	Mrs. Betsy Mathews
14.04.17	Mr. Ashok Abraham	Mrs. Shiney Sam	Mr. Thariyan George
16.04.17	Mr. Thomas George	Mrs. Ashish E George	Mrs. Megha Mathews
23.04.17	Mr. Monzy Thariyan	Mrs. Lavina John	Mr. Rijo Cherian
30.04.17	Mr. K O John	Mrs. Nirmala John	Mr. Siby Bobby Mathew

Date	Peace	Elements
02.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Roshan James	Mr. & Mrs. John Issac – Vashi
09.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. TG Kurian	Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Williams
13.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. KK Johnson	Mr. & Mrs. Oommen George
16.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Biju George	Mr. & Mrs. W K David
23.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Sudhip Philip	Mr. & Mrs. Bose K Thomas
30.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Itty	Mr. & Mrs. George Joseph M

## Offertory, Sanpada

02.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Feliza Mathews
09.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Anita Rose Paul
13.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Sanaya Shaji
14.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Nimitha Liz Alex
16.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Hepzibha David
23.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms. Sara B George
30.04.17	Mr. Reuben Kurien; Ms, Liza Thariyan

## Scripture Reading, Peace & Elements - Panvel

Date	1st Lesson	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
02.04.17	Mr. Gabriel Johnson	Mrs. Bindu John	Mrs. Shiny Sabu
09.04.17	Mr. John Thomas	Mrs. Shiney Sam	Mr. Elvin Issac
16.04.17	Mr. K Babu	Mrs. Sinu Ashok	Mr. Joel John
23.04.17	Mr. K K Johnson	Ms. Sony Thomas	Ms. Steffi John
30.04.17	Mr. Simon Philip	Ms. Saramma Issac	Mr. Binny Johnson

Date	Psalms	2 <sup>nd</sup> Lesson
02.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Simon Philip	Mr. & Mrs. Sam Thomas
09.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. K K Johnson	Mr. & Mrs. K Babu
16.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. John Thomas	Mr. & Mrs. John Thomas
23.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Gabriel Johnson	Mr. & Mrs. T C Issav
30.04.17	Mr. & Mrs. Sabu Varghese	Mr. & Mrs. Ashok Abraham

### Children's Corner

The test of your bible and church history knowledge (All Sunday school children shall participate)

The following are incidents that happened in the life of Christ during the Last Week.

Arrange them in chronological order and Give references.

- 1. The Plot against Jesus
- 2. Jesus teaches in the temple
- 3. The last supper
- 4. Jesus cleanses the temple
- 5. Jesus teaches in the temple
- 6. Gethsemane
- 7. The burial of Jesus
- 8. Jesus Crucifixion and death
- 9. Jesus arrest and trial
- 10. Jesus comforts the disciples

The answers first sent to the above questions will get the prize. The answers shall be e-mailed to the Presbyter by mentioning your name and age. The email is given below:

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## **Birthdays**

2-Apr	Mrs. Mariamma Abraham	Vashi
	Mast. Nathan Abraham	
4-Apr	Oommen	Thane
5-Apr	Mr. W. J. Mathai	Nerul
10-Apr	Mrs. Amritha T.P.	CBD, Belapur
12-Apr	Mrs. Betsy Mathews	Kharghar
13-Apr	Mr. Shaji Thomas	Vashi
13-Apr	Mrs. Shiney Sam	Kamothe
18-Apr	Mr. Reuben Kurian	Nerul
20-Apr	Master. Ryan Philip Mathew	Sanpada
22-Apr	Mast. Eethan Jacob George	Nerul
24-Apr	Mr. Abraham Paulose	Sanpada
28-Apr	Mast. Jose Nathan Cherian	Nerul
30-Apr	Ms. Neha Varghese	Kharghar
30-Apr	Mrs. Ajitha Kurian	Thane
30-Apr	Mr. Joseph Philip	Sanpada

## **Wedding Anniversaries**

12-Apr	Mr. & Mrs. Oommen George	Nerul
17-Apr	Mr. & Mrs. Joju John K.	Sanpada

22-Apr Mr. & Mrs. Hans Thomas V. Airoli

## Presbyter-in-Charge

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